

## Don't Do It!

The City Government has embarked on what may be the last stage of the campaign to own a utility.

When the people voted \$150,000 in revenue bearing bonds on September 28, 1937, without condition or precedent, it was apparent that tax payers believed the city government had made a satisfactory agreement to purchase existing water utilities.

Later developments disclosed that the city had no understanding with the Community Public Service Company. It is further shown that the City lacks sufficient funds to buy or to build an adequate system of water utilities. To state it plainly the water company will not sell their Cameron plant for \$150,000. The City offered a figure considerably less than this amount.

This brings us to consideration of the steps now being taken.

Water consumers are being asked to sign an agreement to become users from a new and city owned plant. It is possible that property owners may yet stop and think. When the bond issue was proposed, the City did not tell the property owners anything. When the property owners placed in the hands of the Council \$150,000 without condition it was a precedent in confidence unique in the annals of city government. There has never been any statement, officially, on what will be done. This column, at the time, asked the question "What for \$150,000?" In addition it warned against an investment in a competing system of water utilities. The answer at the polls was an overwhelming indorsement of the bonds.

This column believed then and still believes that the property tax payers had in mind to buy the existing utilities, not to enter into competition with the Water Company, nor to risk \$150,000 and more in an adventure so ill-advised.

The property owners now know, or will shortly know, that the City has accepted the blanket vote of funds and will go ahead and build a water plant. If this is not the purpose of the sign up campaign, then the whole thing has become a two round sparring match.

If the sign up campaign results in 75 per cent of the water consumers agreeing to quit the Community Public Service Company and go with the City, then the government will be faced with a problem quite grave. The next step would be the competitive system and more funds would be required. There may be little doubt in the minds of the officials that the people would not only advance the needed funds but indorse the competitive system.

There is little doubt from this column's view point that a grave error would be made. The most sensible plan would be to ask for more funds and buy the existing utilities. If the amount of the bonds is insufficient, there could possibly be no harm in so stating. If the Council has erred in its plans, it is not the first time. There is nothing to be lost by establishing a monopoly on water in Cameron and everything to be gained by declining the foolish adventure of competition.

The City promises better water but does not say how it can be obtained. Certainly the only source from which it could be obtained is the same as that of the present water company. To get it from any other source would entail financial outlay much too great for the present bond sum to say nothing of the added cost of a distribution system. To build a filter system would also exceed the amount of money at hand, if combined with a distribution system cost.

If the Water Company retains even 25 per cent of its present patrons the revenues of the city plant would be partially restricted and the whole adventure would at once enter into the most uncertain of financial possibilities. Rates could and would be raised. When the Bond buyers invest their money in a revenue bearing security you can rest assured the contract will provide for 'sufficient' funds to pay all indebtedness, WHEN DUE.

So far as we know there is no pronounced objection to the City owning a water system. Many property owners will sign to become consumers of the municipal system, but will not countenance a dual system when for a sum not far exceeding the amount of bonds voted the City can buy the present utilities and enjoy a monopoly.

The political importance of fighting an 'Octopus' is not to be discounted. The art of appeal is the 'it' of successful office holding. Admirable factors, no doubt. At least they have become a part of our system. The realities are often beyond the citizen because he refuses to think. To tell Mr. Citizen he is about to make an error, often is to run the hazard of becoming a menace to tranquility. The whole matter of owning a water system could be admirably solved by a straight forward gesture and a plain statement of what is necessary.

The Herald does not like the suggestion of co-ercion. It makes everyone feel insecure. The Water Company is entitled to a reasonable price for its plant. No investment should be subjected to a competitive weapon so destructive as the power to tax.

We plead with the tax payers to sign, not the agreements to build another water plant in Cameron, but a petition to the city to go ahead and buy the present utilities, pay a reasonable price for them and if need be ask for more bonds. That is the only safe and sane way.

From the earliest time the governors of the state of New York have included among their number personages of national as well as state importance. Four of them, Martin Van Buren, Grover Cleveland, Theodore Roosevelt and Franklin D. Roosevelt, became presidents of the United States.

Two others, Samuel J. Tilden and Charles E. Hughes, missed the presidency by the narrowest of margins. Many believe that Tilden was defrauded of the presidency by the electoral commission of 1876. Horatio Seymour and Alfred E. Smith were also candidates for president, both being decisively defeated.

George Clinton, who was the state's first governor, became vice-president of the United States, as did also Governors Daniel D. Tompkins and Levi P. Morton.

Other New York governors who at-

tained high national prominence include John Jay, first chief justice of the United States; DeWitt Clinton, senator; William L. Marcy, senator and secretary of war; W. H. Seward, secretary of state under Lincoln; and Charles E. Hughes, secretary of state under Harding and Coolidge, and now chief justice of the United States Supreme Court.

So, while all governors of the Empire state have not reached the ultimate goal of their ambitions, it appears that that office is a very desirable stepping stone to higher political preferment.

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In his usually accurate Washington column, Paul Mallon has just disclosed that already nearly \$500,000,000 of Social Security funds have

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## CITY BASKET BALL LEAGUE ORGANIZED

City Basketball League will be launched on Thursday night with a two game schedule.

Jones Prairie team will play A & W Sales Company and Yarrellton will play the High School Faculty.

Robert Murphy of the A & W Sales Company said that a number of teams were due to get in the league but for numerous reasons the number was reduced to two and Jones Prairie and Yarrellton have supplied the four team combination.

The schedule calls for two games each week on Thursday night. All games are being played on court of Cameron's new gymnasium.

## O. H. Cross Invited To Speak In City On January 25th

O. H. Cross of Waco was extended an invitation by the Chamber of Commerce to address farmers and business men here on Tuesday night January 25.

The Chamber of Commerce has asked Mr. Cross to discuss the pending cotton legislation in Washington and to give the farmers information on the farm program. The former Congressman is regarded here as an able authority on agriculture. He advocates a rigid control of production and market supervision.

## Knights Columbus Hold First Meet Of New Year

The first meeting of 1938 for the Knights of Columbus proved to be very successful. A large number of knights turned out for the occasion and were well repaid for their efforts. They were entertained by Messrs. Ernst and Paul Michalka, who ably rendered several vocal selections. Paul accompanied on the guitar.

After the meeting coffee and sandwiches were served.

## T. O. Walton Will Get Bid to Speak At Banquet Here

Dr. T. O. Walton, President of Texas A & M College, has been extended an invitation to address the annual banquet of the Chamber of Commerce here in early March.

The directors extended the invitation on Tuesday night and Emory B. Camp, chairman of the committee, was dispatching a letter to Dr. Walton on Wednesday.

## Wells McIntyre, Alpine Ranchman, Dies Suddenly

Wells McIntyre, Alpine ranchman and brother of Vernon McIntyre, died from a heart stroke at his ranch Wednesday, it was disclosed here in a wire message to Mrs. Vernon McIntyre.

Mrs. McIntyre and daughter, Jeanette in high school here, left immediately for their home in Alpine.

Vernon McIntyre is now the only surviving son of the family. A daughter of the deceased ranchman attends Stephens College in Columbia, Missouri with Miss Viola Thomas.

## CITY TO MAKE NO MAIN CHARGES

All costs for connecting with city water mains will be paid by the city, it was announced here Monday.

The City Government was quick to challenge the suggestion that water consumers would be required to pay anything except the usual rates for water. Forms are now in circulation asking consumers to agree to quit the Community Public Service Company and go with Mayor Smith for a municipally owned system of water utilities.

The city did not make an estimate of the probable cost of giving connection charges away, but indicated that the matter of furnishing materials and labor would be a matter of contract, the work to be done when mains are laid, thus cutting the cost to the city. The government has only \$150,000 with which to build the system. It was agreed that

## Winner in Paralysis Fight Is Buyer of First Ticket to Ball



Doris Harrell, restored to normalcy from an infantile paralysis attack, which left her apparently a hopeless cripple ten years ago, started the campaign for the President's Birthday Celebration in Texas this week by buying the first ticket in Chairman Jesse H. Jones' State organization from George Waverley Briggs, vice chairman. Miss Harrell, freshman at Denton's Texas College for Women, now plays tennis, rides horseback, shoots a rifle, and plays the piano. "I wish the new foundation to fight infantile paralysis every success," Doris Harrell says, "I know that without the skilled treatment given to me without cost I would still be unable to walk or use my right arm." President's Birthday celebrations will be held in every county and city in Texas January 29.

## Better Poultry Methods Sought

War on non-standard poultry and bad methods of breeding and producing baby chicks, was in prospect here this week when the Chamber of Commerce voted a co-operative gesture with the Young Men's Business League of Rockdale in an effort to increase income to farms.

The immediate objective of the campaign is to obtain county wide tests to eliminate diseases. It was pointed out that all hatchery operators who co-operate for blood tests and adopt other standards of quality, will have the co-operation of the

Chamber of Commerce. A publicity campaign is planned to draw attention of buyers of baby chicks to the necessity of these test methods. Chickens not having the advantage of these tests will not be recommended as healthy or profitable.

The Chamber of Commerce through its committee will ask the co-operation of the League in Rockdale to establish a county wide standard of better bred chickens, both centers joining in a move to have tests recommended by the Department of Agriculture.

## "Rosalie" Great Musical Film Features West Point Drama With Nelson Eddy and Eleanor Powell Singing New Melody Hits

Co-starred with Eleanor Powell in Dick Thorp's football hero of West Point, in the Musical film "Rosalie" Nelson Eddy tops the Sunday and Monday screen program at the Cameron Theatre.

One of America's most popular baritones can still remember a few people who had no use for his voice.

Only a few years ago Nelson Eddy couldn't keep a job because he sang during working hours. Now many a modern executive plays recordings by Eddy over a public speaking system during rest periods for employees.

"It seems funny now, looking back on those days," Nelson will tell you. "I went to work for an iron works in

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## CAMERON GOLF CLUB TO MEET FRI. NIGHT

Cameron's Golf Club will meet Friday night at 7:30 at the Cameron Country Club, it was announced Wednesday by Stanley Swift.

Officers and Directors for 1938 will be named at the meeting.

Plans for the club will be discussed and all who are interested in playing golf are urged to attend.

The meeting is important for it will result in plans for the entire year as well as naming those who are to serve as officials and on the board.

## AD HALL SCHOOL IS DEDICATED FRIDAY

Citizens of Ad Hall on Friday night witnessed the dedication of their new school building and enjoyed the congratulations of other communities on their progress.

It was a happy occasion for the people of that community who saw their school building burned to the ground on November 22, 1937, in a snow storm.

Dedication ceremonies were held as a part of a community entertainment arranged by the patrons. Cameron's crack 60 piece band gave a musical concert.

Bill Morrison, city attorney, was master of ceremonies for the dedication. Judge Graham Gillis of the district court, delivered the dedicatory address.

Judge Jeff T. Kemp of the county court, was also one of the speakers. Guy T. Newton, superintendent of the county schools and E. A. Perrin, su-

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## RETIRED RAIL MAN BURIED IN MILANO

John T. Robinson, 67, retired railroad man, died in the Santa Fe hospital in Temple on Friday, January 7, 1938.

He had been a resident of Milano for many years and on November 7, 1945, retired from active duty with the railroad company. He was a member of the Order of Railroad Telegraphers for 25 years.

Mr. Robinson came to Milano as an operator in 1887. He had spent 50 years as an operator and while he had held places with the company away from Milano, he maintained a home there and returned at every opportunity.

The body of the pioneer was brought from Temple late Friday. Funeral services were held in Milano at 3:30 Saturday afternoon with interment in Milano Cemetery. Services were held by Father O'Reilly, chaplain of the hospital in Temple.

Deceased is survived by his widow, Mrs. Lillie Evard Robinson; two daughters, Mrs. Zita Barber of Austin, and Mrs. F. D. Colwell of Port Arthur; two sons, Earl Robinson of Ennis and Ralph Robinson of Dayton.

Pall bearers were: Lee Braun, L. E. Killen, James Baggett, Lon M. Peoples, V. W. Brooks and Richard Brennan.

## BODY OF NEGRO IS TAKEN FROM WELL

The body of Tony Oages, negro was taken from a deep well on the R. O. Harper farm near Jones Prairie Monday by a searching party assembled by his wife.

When Oages did not return home his wife asked the aid of neighbors. It was said here Wednesday that Oages may have felt despondent over discovery by church members that he had been short with funds belonging to the congregation.

The body was removed from the well with grappling hooks. Justice of Peace, John Thweatt of Maysfield returned a verdict of suicide. Constable S. S. Hickman assisted in the investigation.

The negro had been dead several hours before his body was brought to the surface.

## American Legion To Meet Tuesday Night at Hut

The American Legion will hold its monthly social meeting on Tuesday night at the Legion building in Wilson-Ledbetter Park, it was announced by E. W. Streetman, adjutant and publicity director.

Mr. Streetman said that the meeting would be a social gathering and refreshments will be served. All members are urged to attend.

## Negroes Confess To Horse Stealing

Confessing that they had stolen a horse from Wright Ellison at Baileyville, two negroes, Clorice Johnson and Willie Busby, are facing criminal charges.

The negroes admitted their guilt to District Attorney Camp and Deputy Clarence McCall who conducted the investigation here.

Leonard Johnson, brother of Clorice, had been indicted by the grand jury, but it was found that he knew nothing of the theft although the horse was found at his home.

A California law states that no horse, cow, pig, goat or other animal poultry shall be kept in any apartment.

## Fuchs Bros. Open Cameron Hatchery; Blood Tested Chicks Are Advertised

Theo Fuchs of Buckholts is in Cameron directing the Fuchs Brothers hatchery which was formerly owned by the late Gus Pientl.

Co-incident with the announcement here that the Chamber of Commerce is striving to improve breed of chickens and to eliminate diseases, Fuchs Bros. announce a standard hatchery business, producing nothing but blood tested chicks. Their hatchery will have the full support of the Chamber of Commerce as will all hatcheries that include blood test standards.



NEWS FROM  
MINERVA

## MINERVA

The first quarterly conference of the Minerva-Maysfield charge of the Methodist church convened at Minerva on Sunday. The Rev. N. H. McElbert, Presiding Elder of the Marik District, delivered the morning sermon and the business session was held in the afternoon. Members of the Salem, Sneeds Chapel, Maysfield and Minerva churches were present for the conference.

Mrs. H. B. Purvis of Lufkin, and Mrs. Asa Hickman and son of Beaumont were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Trotter and sons from Monday until Wednesday of last week.

Friends of Miss Mae Agnes Hubert will be interested to know of her marriage to Clyde Van Meta on December 14 at Las Cruz, New Mexico. The young couple will make their home at El Paso.

Mrs. Wright Ceott and daughters spent the week end at Austin.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. McDonald have moved into Minerva from the Bethlehem community.

Mrs. Robert Currey and daughter Kathryn visited relatives at Round Rock on Saturday.

Miss Margaret Lucas of Dallas spent from Thursday until Sunday with her parents Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Lucas.

Ralph Hubert, Lee Wallace and sons, Lee, Jr., and Cliff and Clayton Lucas of Lockhart visited home folks during the week end.

Thomas Paul Robinson has gone to Dallas where he will enter a business school.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Ray Fletcher of El Paso on December 14 a son, who has been named Hubert Lee. Mrs. Fletcher will be remembered here as Miss Florence Hubert.

Mrs. Aln Reed motored to Temple on Friday afternoon and was accompanied home by Rev. Reed of Dallas who spent the week end here.

The Womens Missionary Society met in Bible Study and social on Monday afternoon with Mrs. J. C. Wallace and Miss Jennie Cone as hostesses. An inspirational Bible Study in the Book of Hebrews was conducted by Mrs. B. F. Cone, Bible teacher.

An enjoyable social hour followed. Delicious refreshments of coffee, sandwiches and cookies were served.

Rev. Aln Reed will conduct a study class at the M. E. church, beginning Friday evening. The book, "Out of Aldersgate" by Watkins will be used as the basis of study. Everyone is cordially invited to attend.

NEWS FROM  
JONES PRAIRIE

Friends are very sorry to hear of Mr. J. F. Cloud, Jr., principal of the Jones Prairie school father is very ill.

Miss Joy Fontaine is ill this week.

Ben Hamil Virginia Brown, Jack Wilkerson visited Miss Rosa White Sunday.

Miss Alma White, Mrs. Jack Pond made a business trip to Cameron Monday.

Miss Jane Malone, Mrs. C. R. McCarty visited Rosa White.

Billie Marie Bailey spent the week end with Jack Black.

Miss Allah Marie Black is able to return to school. She has been ill.

Mrs. Jim White of Rosebud visited E. W. Massengale Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Swarting visited Mrs. Ben Massengale.

Miss Jane Malone is visiting her cousin Helen Mitcham of Cameron

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Nunn of Paige visited Mrs. Walter Malone.

Miss Merle Carroll attended the shower given by Mrs. Jewel Hughes in honor of Miss Connie Mae Hickman who is to be married Jan. 16. The people of Jones Prairie wish her happiness.

NEWS FROM  
BUCKHOLTS

Miss Myrtle Plantt was a recent guest in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Machann.

Mrs. Buford McMillion went to Lometa Thursday for a visit with her sister, Mrs. W. E. Wittenberg and family. Mr. McMillion went up on Saturday and they returned home Sunday.

Mrs. Hugo Horstmann and mother Mrs. Shade Turner attended the funeral of J. T. Robinson at Milano Saturday.

Wallace Hinson of Huntsville was a week end guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Hinson.

Mrs. Mattie English and Miss Tabbie Robinson of Cameron were guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Buford McMillion Wednesday of the past week.

Misses Margaret, Marie and Ella Machann and Louise Pick and Joe Machann were week end Caldwell visitors.

Sam Oliver returned Friday from a few days visit in Corpus Christi.

Edward Hinson of San Diego, Calif. is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Hinson.

Mr. and Mrs. John Kubin and Mr. and Mrs. John F. Machann and families of Caldwell were recent guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Machann.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Criswell and Miss Marguerite Bitcham spent

Wednesday and Thursday in Waco.

Frank Brown of Houston was a week end guest in the J. M. Mitham home.

Rudolf Krall has returned from Houston where he has had employment for some time.

Johnnie Dragac of Caldwell was a recent guest in the Tom Machann home.

Mrs. Paul Fuchs is quite ill in a Temple hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Price of Rosebud were Sunday guests in the V. A. Kubecka home.

Mr. and Mrs. T. S. Hardaway of Maracaibo, Venezuela, S. A., were Monday guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hardy Scarbrough. Mr. and Mrs. Hardaway are friends of Mr. and Mrs. Heitmann who also live at Maracaibo. Mrs. Heitmann will be remembered as Miss Maurice Scarbrough.

Mr. and Mrs. V. A. Kubecka were Temple visitors on Wednesday of the past week.

Thomas Gore, musician of Fort Wayne, Ind., has started a baby nursery as a means of earning additional money. He feeds and "charges" the babies, and plays the saxophone to quiet them.

Marcele Bland of Montreal, Can., explained to police that the only reason his 18 year old son pulled a false fire alarm was so he would be jailed and escape working on their farm.

George Andergko of Chicago sued for divorce, charging his wife used a lead pipe to arouse him from his slumbers.

Two operators of an apartment house at Phoenix, Ark., are being sued for \$51,078 by Emaline Hansen, a tenant, on grounds that a folding bed snapped, closed and collapsed, "squeezing, striking, and battering" her.

George Ingrams of Billings, Mont., recently completed his 388th jail term for drunkenness.

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## NEWS FROM BUCKHOLTS

Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Harcastle and family had as guests Saturday guests in the John H. Oliver home. Mrs. Harcastle is Mr. Oliver's sister.

Louis Kubecka was a Temple visitor Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Miles W. Peeler and family had as guest during the recent holidays Mrs. Peeler's father, M. W. Gideon of Kanawha, Okla. On Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Peeler, daughter Miss Imogene and son Nealon accompanied Mr. Gideon to Killeen from which place he left for home on Monday. They visited Mrs. Peeler's aunt, Mrs. J. S. Culp in Killeen.

Miss Viola Bowman of Olney spent the week end in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Criswell.

Rev. W. P. Elliott of Milford was a Sunday and Monday visitor here.

Mr. and Mrs. Guido Gersback and son Garryford were guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Hinson Saturday.

Charlie Williams attended the ball game in Dallas Saturday.

E. L. Hinson was an Austin visitor Saturday.

Sam Oliver left Friday for Corpus Christi where he will have employment.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Zajicek spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Julius Cabron, Jr., at Burlington.

Sydney and Rudolf Janek of Penelope were guests in the home of John and Will Kuzel Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Terrell and baby of Temple were Sunday guests of Dr. and Mrs. W. W. Lowrey.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Judkins and son Loma of Branchville were Sunday guests of their daughter and sister, Mrs. Alex Groppell and family.

Mrs. Wade Hampton of Rusk was a guest of Dr. and Mrs. W. W. Lowrey Wednesday of the past week.

Miss Evelyn McCrary, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. T. D. McCrary left Wednesday of the past week for Los Angeles, Calif.

Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Reeder and sons of San Antonio were week end guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Phillips.

Miss Viola Tarwater of Caldwell was a guest of friends here Friday. Miss Tarwater taught in the Buckholts school last year, is teaching home economics in Karnes City schools now.

Louis Kubecka has returned to State University.

Willie Ezzell and sister Miss Ollie and Miss Alice Sheward left Monday morning for Los Angeles after spending the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Ezzell. Mrs. Marvin Mitcham and baby, Dolores accompanied them as far as El Paso where they are visiting Joe and Lloyd Ezzell and families.

Mr. and Mrs. George Goree returned to their home in Beeville on Sunday after spending the holidays in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. R. Criswell.

Miss Johnnie Williams has returned to Mary Hardin-Baylor college.

Loyce Phillips of Gladewater was a guest in the Hardy Scarborough home this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Hardy Scarborough

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spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Patillo and family in Cameron.

Mr. and Mrs. Vansel Ermis and son of Robstown were Friday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Zajicek.

Honoring Miss Viola Bowman, a week end guest, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Criswell entertained with three tables of bridge and one of "42" Saturday evening. The house was bright and cherry with its Christmas decorations. Mr. and Mrs. Lester Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Patillo, Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Yoe of Cameron, Miss Viola Bowman and Delma Criswell of Olney, Mrs. Frank Brown of Houston, Mrs. George Goree of Beeville, Miss Alice Sheward and Willie Ezzell of Los Angeles, Calif., Marvin Slovacek and D. R. Criswell, Buckholts.

High score for men went to Henry Patillo.

Mrs. Lester Williams won high score for ladies.

Prizes were awarded to those winning and to Miss Bowman.

Eggnog and fruit cake were served.

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Sam Strong of Darrington, Wash., claims that the county failed to buy right of way on his property when it built a new highway, so he erected a tollgate across the road and charges every private automobile 25 cents to pass.

## NEWS FROM SHARP

Mr. M. V. Hallman, vocational agriculture teacher for the Sharp consolidated school makes it a habit to visit his mother and other relatives in Alabama each Christmas. On Wednesday December 15, Mr. Hallman received a message from a sister in Alabama to come at once, his mother was gravely ill with pneumonia.

Mr. Hallman left Sharp at once, still expecting to spend Christmas with his mother, but his mother Mrs. J. M. Hallman, passed away, Friday after witnessing a sad and lonely Christmas with the other members of the bereaved family.

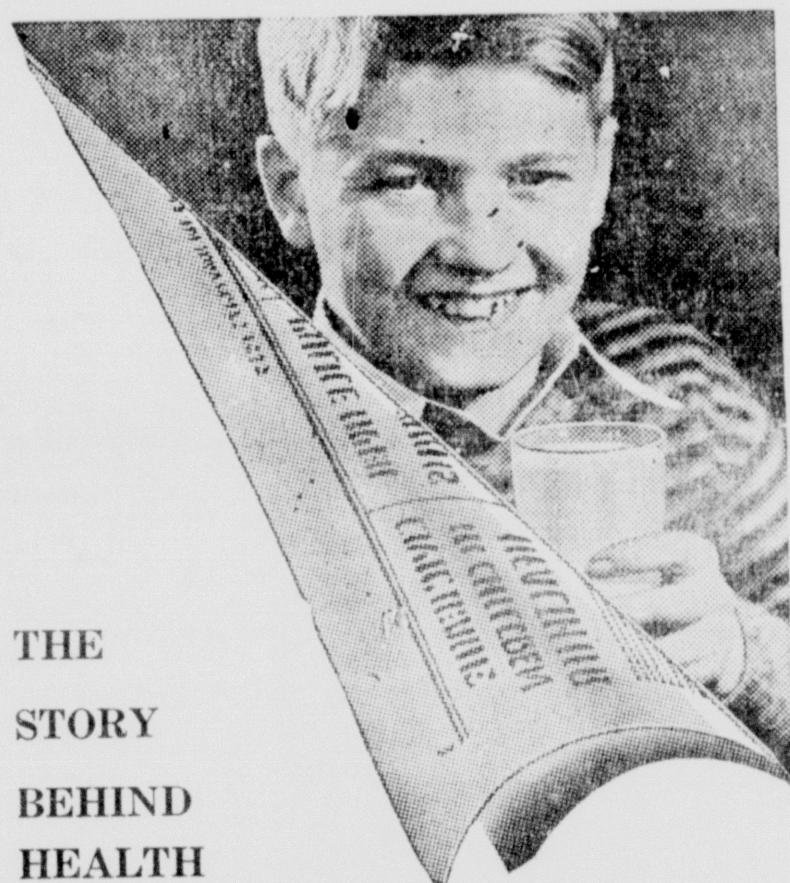
We the people of the Sharp community extend to Mr. Hallman our deepest sympathy.

Lucile Fowler daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Fowler of Sharp, recently underwent an operation in the Cameron hospital, and is reported improving nicely.

Because he tried to get out of jail at Sherman, Texas, Jodie Lloyd lost one of his legs. The leg, an artificial one, was taken from him as punishment.

George H. Tillinghast of Burlington, N. J., has invented a tubular device with a flared end like a trombone, to slip over eels so that they can be handled easily.

When a hotel manager of Omaha advertised that he wanted the most freckled boy in the state for a page, Paul Smith applied and got the job. He claimed 693 freckles.



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Report of Condition of the

## Citizens National Bank

of Cameron

In the State of Texas, at the close of business on December 31, 1937, published in response to call made by Comptroller of the Currency, under Section 5211, U. S. Revised Statutes:

ASSETS:	
Loans and discounts	\$ 332,334.72
Overdrafts	659.76
United States Government obligations, direct and fully guaranteed	228,040.32
Other bonds, stocks, and securities	3,002,674.43
Banking house, \$10,000.00, Furniture and fixtures, \$1.00	10,001.00
Real estate owned other than banking house	28,359.29
Reserve with Federal Reserve bank	346,100.49
Cash, balances with other banks, and cash items in process of collection	168,118.81
Other assets	6,181.77
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$4,122,470.59</b>

LIABILITIES:	
Demand deposits of individuals, partnerships and corporations	\$ 717,427.37
Time deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations	434,608.24
State, county, and municipal deposits	2,361,184.63
United States Government and postal savings deposits	347,251.00
Deposits of other banks, including certified and cashier's checks outstanding	32,364.92
Deposits secured by pledge of loans and/or investments	\$2,674,006.83
Deposits not secured by pledge of loans and/or investments	1,218,829.33
<b>Total Deposits</b>	<b>\$3,892,836.16</b>
Common stock, 100 shares, par \$100.00 per share	\$100,000.00
Surplus	125,000.00
Undivided profits—net	4,634.43
<b>Total Capital Account</b>	<b>\$229,634.43</b>
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>\$4,122,470.59</b>

### MEMORANDUM: Loans and Investments Pledged to Secure Liabilities:

United States Government obligations, direct and fully guaranteed	228,040.32
Other bonds, stocks and securities	2,536,027.34
<b>Total Pledged (excluding rediscounts)</b>	<b>\$2,764,067.66</b>
Pledged:	
Against United States Government and postal savings deposits	350,830.32
Against State, county, and municipal deposits	2,413,237.34
<b>Total Pledged</b>	<b>\$2,764,067.66</b>

State of Texas, County of Milam, ss:

I, Lester Williams, cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

LESTER WILLIAMS, Cashier.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 7th day of January, 1938.

Mary A. McDermott, Notary Public.

(SEAL)

CORRECT—Attest:  
Frank Monroe.  
Niley Smith.  
Rush A. Thomas.  
Directors.

## RECAPITULATION:

RESOURCES:	
Loans	\$ 330,980.45
Federal Reserve Stock	6,750.00
Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation	1.00
Bank Building and Furniture	10,001.00
Other Real Estate	28,359.29
Federal and State Securities	\$3,003,311.79
Municipal Securities	226,833.73
Bills of Exchange—Cotton	2,014.03
Cash and Exchange	514,219.30
Cash Quickly Available	3,746,378.85
<b>Total Resources</b>	<b>\$4,122,470.59</b>
LIABILITIES:	
Capital Stock	\$ 100,000.00
Surplus and Profits	129,634.43
U. S. Government Deposits	\$ 347,251.00
Other Deposits	3,545,585.16
<b>Total Deposits</b>	<b>3,892,836.16</b>
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>\$4,122,470.59</b>



## Society News

### Bridge Courtesy At Allday Home

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Allday entertained their Wednesday Bridge Club by inviting a number of guests. The party was one of the most enjoyable social courtesies of the week and the presence of both members and guests made the evening a happy time for friends.

For club Mrs. Gaston Barmore held high and for men Mr. Barmore held high. Mrs. Chas. Davidson and Mrs. E. C. Cole divided honors for high among guests.

Guests were Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Davidson, Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Dusek, Mrs. Conn Moody, and Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Cole.

Mince pie topped with cream and hot coffee completed the refreshment course.

### Shower for Miss Hickman Thursday

Miss Connie Mae Hickman who will marry Paul Arnold of Houston on Sunday, January 16th, was honor guest at a delightful shower on Thursday evening given by Miss Althea Harris. Guests for the party and shower numbered about thirty.

Mrs. Buck Price, sister of Miss Harris assisted in the entertainment program, arranging games and contests. In the dining room gifts had been assembled and were piled high on the table. When the signal was given, the bride-elect was escorted to the dining room and there beheld the result of generous and loving friends' response to the shower invitation. She expressed in her own sweet way, her appreciation for the gifts.

Miss Hickman is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Hickman of Jones Prairie.

Mrs. Lester Hughes, Miss Curly Smithman and Mrs. Price assisted Miss Harris in serving a well appointed refreshment course of sandwiches, pickles, coffee and cookies.

### Mrs. Brewer Is Hostess to DRA

Mrs. Martha Brewer with Mrs. W. T. Hefley as co-operating hostess, on Thursday afternoon, arranged a delightful entertainment for the Sarah McCalla chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution.

Political prophecies for 1938 were the response to roll call. Mrs. R. H. McIntosh, regent, presided at a short business session preceding the program.

Miss Irma Porter talked about approved schools. Mrs. C. M. Hicks talked about 1937 and its panorama of events, being the guest speaker.

During the social hour which followed Mrs. Brewer and Mrs. Hefley served a lovely refreshment course.

Mrs. Thomas V. Adams of Buckholts, was a guest for the day.

### Mrs. W. J. Brashear Hostess to 42 Leisure Club

Mrs. W. J. Brashear was hostess to the 42 Leisure Club on Thursday.

The reception rooms were beautifully decorated in youpan carrying out her color scheme of red, green and yellow.

Guest for the afternoon was Mrs. Ray O'Neil.

High score was awarded to Mrs. V. E. Lesikar and second high to Mrs. Henry Dakel. Table cuts were linen handkerchiefs went to Mrs. Leo Stecher, Mrs. Herman Boedeker and Mrs. J. J. Parma.

The hostess assisted by Mrs. Leo Laake served a delicious plate of sandwiches, potato chips, lemon pie and a fruit salad with a drink. A miniature bell tied with red ribbon helped to decorate the plate.

### Bush Home Scene Of Bridge Courtesy

A bridge courtesy in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Bush on Friday night was one of the most enjoyable entertainments of the season.

Mrs. Bush arranged a colorful decorative scheme with red predominating. She used red geraniums and begonia, attractively arranged in painted containers.

Violets, the first of the spring flowers, were noted in tiny bowls. Small containers of candy were placed on each table. Mrs. Bush served apple dumplings and coffee on lace covered tables.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Davidson won high score while Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Reichert made low score.

### Methodist Society Plans Year's Work

Plans for the New Year were made here Monday when members of the Methodist Missionary Society met at the church for an all day session. Mrs. W. T. Whatley, the new president, presided for the session. The society is planning a full year of activities.

Mrs. Leland Green, Sr., is the retiring president of the Society.

Officers of the society met with Mrs. Whatley last week to plan the study course for the year. The Life of John Wesley will be the text book for study.

The following officers were recently elected: Mrs. W. T. Whatley, president; Mrs. W. E. Gaither, vice president; Mrs. J. J. Kemp, treasurer; Mrs. Mary Robinson, corresponding secretary; Mrs. LaBertice Robinson, recording secretary; Mrs. Roy Baskin, secretary of children's work; Mrs. John Rosson, superintendent of study; Mrs. John Henderson, superintendent of publicity; Mrs. Jeff T. Kemp, world outlook; Mrs. W. O. Triggs, Christian social relations; Miss Mollie Moore, supplies; Mrs. Niley Smith, baby specials; Mrs. August Horstmann, treasurer; Mrs. W. P. McCall, local work.

Circle leaders are Mrs. Niley Smith, Mrs. David Smith, Mrs. C. E. Gaston and Mrs. Jaunita Lyons.

### Irene McQuary Is Senior In College At San Marcos

Miss Irene McQuary, a graduate of Sharp high school, a senior at the present time in Southwest Texas Teachers College here, is teaching in the San Marcos public schools as a part of the regular training offered by the college in order to give the prospective teacher an insight into the actual procedure and methods used in modern day teaching.

Miss McQuary is doing work in home economics under a competent instructor who is an expert in this particular line of study. The instructor acts as a guide and advisor to the practice teacher by aiding him in planning and presenting the lesson. Also, as a part of the work, the student teacher has the opportunity to guide a class through an entire project which he has formulated.

### Miss Blanche Hensley Weds Arthur Fuqua In Home Wedding At Anderson

Friends in Cameron were happy to receive the news last week of the recent marriage of Miss Blanche Hensley to Arthur Fuqua.

The wedding occurred in Anderson on Monday, December 27, 1937, at 8:15 p. m. in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Hensley, parents of the bride.

Rev. Joe B. Wells, pastor of the Methodist church read the impressive ring ceremony in the presence of members of the family.

Miss Hensley will be remembered here for her fine work as a member of the Ada Henderson School faculty and the Yoe High School faculty. She endeared herself to many in Cameron and they have received the announcement of her marriage with interest and best wishes.

Miss Hensley was reared in Anderson and was a member of the Anderson school faculty at the time of her marriage. She taught in the Cameron schools several years before returning to her home in Anderson last year to teach.

Mr. Fuqua is a farmer and stock man at Ervin, Texas, and enjoys the acquaintance and friendship of a host of people in that city and section who extend hearty congratulations.

After a short trip to points in North Texas, Mr. and Mrs. Fuqua returned to their home in Ervin to make their home.

### Mrs. B. F. Bonds Hostess at Bridge Wednesday

A charming hospitality of the week was the Bridge courtesy on Wednesday afternoon when Mrs. B. F. Bonds entertained her club.

Table cuts were won by Mrs. R. D. Brown, Mrs. A. J. Triggs, Mrs. James Coleman and Mrs. W. A. Bonds. Mrs. Oxsheer Smith won guest high score trophy and Mrs. R. B. Stebbins won club high score trophy.

Guests invited for the bridge were Mrs. Rush A. Thomas, Mrs. Oxsheer Smith, Mrs. E. H. Coffield, Mrs. H. I. Smith and Mrs. W. E. Gaither.

### Mrs. Montgomery Honor guest at Thursday Bridge

A delightful entertainment of the week end was the honor bridge on Thursday given by Mrs. Harry Tag for her sister, Mrs. A. J. Montgomery of Albuquerque, New Mexico.

The charm of winter's colors were employed to effect a New Year decorative scheme in the home where old friends of the honoree gathered for the bridge. Silver predominated in the colors. Berries and foliage denoted the exquisite arrangement in the reception suite while in the dining room white mandarin berries in circular array made a lovely setting for flowering tapers, gracing the dining table.

Mrs. Chas. Davidson won high score among guests and Mrs. Erle Burke won second high score. High cut awards went to Mrs. E. C. Cole, Mrs. Richard Bush, Mrs. Chas. Allday and Mrs. Gaston Barmore. The Prizes were containers of candy marked 1938.

Mrs. Tag used an attractive refreshment service covered with rich linens and served sandwiches, cranberry, cream cheese tarts and hot tea to complete the course. The refreshment appointments were also in New Year motif to harmonize with the spirit of decorations.

Those attending were: Mrs. B. F. Reichert, Mrs. Marvin Franklin, Mrs.

Penn Wolf, Mrs. R. W. Bennett, Mrs. Dero Jenkins, Mrs. Franklin Dusek, Mrs. Harvey Yoe, Mrs. Chas. Davidson, Mrs. Erle Burke, Mrs. Lester Williams, Mrs. Chas. Allday, Mrs. A. J. Montgomery, the honoree; Mrs. Gaston Barmore, Mrs. J. R. Bush and Mrs. E. C. Cole.

### Reid's Celebrate Second Wedding Anniversary

Places were arranged for twelve guests and friends on last Wednesday evening when Mr. and Mrs. Frank Reid entertained in honor of their second wedding anniversary.

Mrs. Reid before her marriage was Miss Grace Eplen. Both were reared in Cameron. Their many friends here are happy to know of the happy occasion of their second wedding date.

A delicious and well appointed dinner of chicken was served. Pink carnations were used as the basic flower for a lovely decorative scheme. On the dining table chrysanthemums in pink were attractively arranged in a bowl.

Those who enjoyed the dinner were: Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Harsha, Mr. and Mrs. F. O. Loftice, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Copley, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Denson, Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Blanton of Waco.

Mr. and Mrs. Reid gave Mr. and Mrs. Elanton silver for the couple of

the most recent marriage.

The dinner was followed with 42. Mr. and Mrs. Copley held high score and Mr. and Mrs. Denson held low and both couples received lovely gifts.

### Mrs. Kemp Hostess To History Club

Review of 1937 by Mrs. Chas. M. Hicks was the feature of an interesting program for the History Club on Tuesday afternoon in the home of Mrs. Jeff T. Kemp.

Eighteen members were present. Guests were Mrs. J. W. Coleman of Waco and Mrs. Leslie Brown. Mrs. Coleman formerly lived in Cameron and during the week has been a guest in the home of her son and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. James L. Coleman.

A salad course with hot punch was served by Mrs. Kemp.

### Shower for Mrs. Harold Heath

A delightful social event of the week was a miscellaneous shower on last Thursday evening in Milano for Mrs. Harold Heath who before her marriage in September was Miss Thelma McCallum.

The shower and entertainment was held in the home economics room of the Milano high school where Mrs. Heath was a student before her marriage. Mr. Heath graduated from

Yoe High School in June 1936.

Mrs. Lee Heath was hostess along with close friends in Milano.

In the bride's book the names of 42 guests were noted. Class mates unable to attend the shower sent gifts.

A package containing a large number of gifts was presented to the bride by Miss Mary Min Smith. A program of music and contests featured the entertainment.

### 4 Table Bridge at Franklin Home

Eight couples enjoyed a bridge in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Franklin on Saturday night.

Mrs. Franklin used to advantage, red berries and narcissus to decorate the entertainment suite.

When the games ended Mrs. Harvey Yoe held high score for ladies and Chas. M. Hicks held high score for men. Both received prizes. Mrs. B. F. Reichert was consoled for low score and got a deck of cards.

Mrs. Franklin served pecan pie, topped with whipped cream, and hot coffee.

Attending were: Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Allday, Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Reichert, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Patillo, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Bush, Mr. and Mrs. Lester Williams, Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Parnell, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. M. Hicks.

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Dozen	23c
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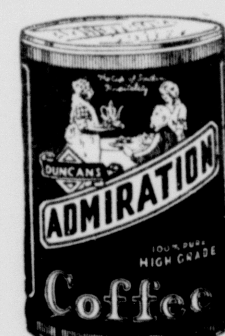
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2 for	25c
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Regular 4c, two for	5c
Ivory Flakes, 2 for	15c

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3 lb. package	69c
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3 lb. package	59c
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Salad Dressing BEST—YETT	
Quart Jar, each	25c
Pint Jar	15c

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No. 2 can, 2 for	29c

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## Personal Mention

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. White and Mary Frances White were in Belton Sunday to visit in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Otis Barnes. They were joined by Mr. and Mrs. Leland Barnes and son, Joe, for a dinner. On Tuesday Mr. and Mrs. Leland Barnes left Belton for Washington.

Mr. and Mrs. George Theodore Henderson of Walkers Creek community are the proud parents of a little daughter, named Theodora Ann, born at the Cameron Hospital, December 24, 1937. Mrs. Henderson will be remembered as Anna Mae Dodson.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Dunlap of Maysfield have moved to Cameron and are now living in one of the Steve Lewis homes. They are both drawing old age pensions from the government and have come to Cameron where they can spend the remaining days of their lives in greater comfort.

Will Lake has returned from an extended trip to West Texas. He was with the Cameron Compress Company in 1937 season, suffering an injury to his right hand from which he is slowly recovering. He is farming in the black land country north of Cameron.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Tyson and family, have moved from Milano to Austin to make their home for the present.

Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Blake have returned from a few days visit with relatives and friends in Houston.

Joe Klements, long time reader of The Herald, was in to renew again for another two years. He has been a reader for many years.

Misses Dorothy and Christine Ku-becka were in Dallas on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dero Jenkins will leave Cameron Sunday for Mission Texas where Mr. Jenkins will take a place with Branam Chevrolet Company. He has been with the Grabein Chevrolet Company here for the past four years and has a good record as a salesman. Mrs. Jenkins was the former Miss Jennie Brown. Friends wish them every success and happiness.

Will Kuzel of Corinth was a business visitor in Cameron on Monday. Mr. Kuzel has been a reader of The Herald for many years.

Bruce M. Jennings of Dayilla was a business visitor in Cameron on Saturday. He will read The Herald again in 1938.

Miss Verna Beth Beard has accepted a place with the Bryan Production Loan Association in Bryan. Miss Edna McGregor of Bryan is in the local branch office in the absence of Raymond Beard who has been critically ill.

Dr. and Mrs. W. M. Brook of Lampasas were visiting in Cameron this week. They formerly lived in Cameron. Dr. Brook recently constructed a new modern hospital in Lampasas.

Judge Ed. Gunn of Rockdale was a business visitor in Cameron this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Moore of Gause were in Cameron Monday on business. Mr. Moore will go to Baton Rouge, La., on March 1 to begin training with the New York Giants.

Gene Walker of Conroe was in Cameron Monday on business. He has purchased a tract of land near Gause. He is better known here as "Dixie" Walker, sensational pitcher some years ago in the Texas league. Since retiring from professional baseball he has been engaged in the oil business.

G. R. Varner of Gause was in Cameron this week attending court.

In Wilson, N. C. Carson White rammed Oliver White's white milk truck against John White's car, which was driven by William White. The accident was investigated by Officer Robert White.

When a hold-up victim failed to find the robber in a police lineup in Pittsburg Public Safety Director George Fairley ordered the guilty man to reveal himself. Charles Smith stepped forward, acknowledged his guilt.

## W. W. Caddell Now Farms Own Land In Black Belt

W. W. Caddell, for many years a leading planter in the country north of Buckholts, was in Cameron last week end, making his usual rounds of friends.

This year Mr. and Mrs. Caddell have moved to their own farm. For a number of years they have owned the farm but have rented it out. Now they are on their own acreage. "Tell all our friends to come to see us," said Mr. Caddell, one of the most successful and best known farmers in the county. They receive their mail on Route 3 out of Rogers. The former address was Route 2 out of Buckholts. The Caddell farm is one of the best in this section.

## New Lutheran Pastor Comes to Milam County

Siegfried T. Schroeder, B. D., formerly of Stockdale, has been called to the pastorate of the Rockdale and Sharp Lutheran churches, and will hold his first service here on February 6, it was announced this week.

Rev. Schroeder replaces Rev. Otto R. Schawe, who left this week for Norheim, as Lutheran pastor. The new pastor with his wife and child will arrive in Rockdale the latter part of January (he advises his congregation.)

The local church expects to have a visiting pastor here for one or two Sundays this month, although no definite plans along this line have as yet been made.—Rockdale Reporter.

## Freak Egg Gets 'Tops' as Exhibit For the Year

A red egg approximately 2 inches in length but its form a half circle tapering to a sharp end, with a small tail was brought to The Herald museum last Saturday by Otto F. Schulz of Clarkson.

Mr. Schulz found the egg on Friday. It was in the nest of a Rhode Island red hen. So far it is the only egg of its peculiar type ever exhibited here.

Mr. Schulz enjoyed the Indian arrow display at the Herald museum. He has a collection of his own from the old Indian sites along Pond Creek

## Oil Men Watch Shallow Test

Close watch was being maintained on the Graham No. 1 wildcat test near Sharp following a showing of oil at 600 feet.

Whether this would prove a similar production to the old Tracy field remained to be seen. Those in close touch said the formation is different and that the oil was coming from the Pecan Gap sand. Eight inch casing was being set Wednesday and the well is to be given a thorough test. If no production is shown two additional sands will be drilled down to the line.

Hayden Lawrence of Cameron is drilling the well and with him is the veteran, Sam Hohenstein, discoverer of the Minerva field. The lease is owned by the Tuxedo Oil Company of Fort Worth.

The Herald learned Wednesday that nothing definite would be announced until late this week.

Mr. Hohenstein, veteran scout, said he had never seen a better indication and expressed the belief that the well would produce, or give definite results to prove the territory.

## NEWS FROM SHARP

By HENRY BROWN  
Supt. Middleton Attends Convention  
Supt. C. R. Middleton attended the annual convention of school administrators in Austin Thursday and Friday of last week.

The use of sound and silent films and radio in school work was demonstrated. On Thursday Mr. Middleton was accompanied by Val Nemece who is a member of the school board. On Friday he was accompanied by Ernest Backhaus and C. F. Tallfere who are also members of the school board.

Lucile Fowler who has been confined to the Cameron hospital following an operation for appendicitis is reported improving nicely.

Alfred Dittmar who is in the army in Fort Sam Houston, San Antonio, is visiting his parents Mr. and Mrs. Will Dittmar of Sharp this month.

Arrested for a traffic violation, a Nebraska driver laughed at the policeman and later insulted the judge, who gave him 90 days. Then the culprit laughed some more and said: "I'm driving for the warden of the penitentiary and I'm in for life."

## St. Rita's Circle Elect Officers

Mrs. Ray Robinson was elected president of St. Rita's circle here Wednesday afternoon. Other officers are: Mrs. Ray O'Neil, vice president; Mrs. William Balhorn secretary and Mrs. J. T. Parma, treasurer.

Election of officers for the year occurred at an entertainment arranged by Mrs. Frank Michalka and Mrs. Frank Hanel.

The next meeting of the circle will be held with Mrs. Ray O'Neil as hostess on January 18th.

Mrs. Michalka and Mrs. Hanel served a refreshment course of pie topped with whipped cream and hot coffee.

## Comus Club Members Enjoy Bridge

Members of the Comus Club enjoyed a bridge party on Tuesday evening of last week in the home of Dr. and Mrs. James Watson with Misses Aileen Miller and Leila Trice entertaining.

Red and white caranations were attractively placed in a bowl to center the dining table which was laid with linen. In the reception suite blooming plants were noted. Refreshments were served buffet style. The menu consisted of tuna fish salad and wafers, gherkins, stuffed dates and hot coffee.

## Mrs. Leland Denson Bridge Hostess

Inviting a number of guests Mrs. Leland Denson entertained her Bridge Club on last Friday, providing a delightful party of the week.

Mrs. Vernon Roberts for guests won high score and Mrs. Frank Cheeves won second high.

Guests were Mrs. Jack Wilkerson, Mrs. C. G. Brindley, Mrs. Vernon Roberts and Mrs. S. A. Cottle.

Mrs. Denson served a salad course for refreshments.

## Harvey Yoe Home Entertains at Bridge

The Monday Night Bridge Club was entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Yoe this week.

The home was decorated with cut flowers in attractive vases.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Allday were invited guests.

In the score awards Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Reichert won high and Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Dusek won low score each receiving gifts.

An attractive appointment refreshment course was served by Mrs. Yoe consisting of salad, wafers, fruit cake and coffee.

## Liberty Couple Are Married Here

Miss Ruthie Mae Baggerly and Elmer Little of the Liberty community were married in Cameron Monday.

The ceremony was performed by Judge Jeff T. Kemp. They will make their home at Liberty.

Mail-order brides are not entitled to alimony, decreed judge E. A. Montgomery of Minneapolis in denying the plea of Hazel Dunn, 45, who is suing Solomon Dunn, 62.

J. C. Corfman, farmer of Bucyrus, O., in early October lost a 360-pound pig. Recently he found it, buried under a straw stack. It was still alive, but weighed only 60 pounds.

Eleven years ago in Minneapolis, Paul Holden proposed marriage to Helen Low, now a radio singer in Seattle, Wash. She refused. Recently he flew to Seattle to try again, and the answer was "Yes."

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1 to 12 years	15c
13 to 40 years	20c
41 to 50 years	30c
51 to 60 years	40c
61 to 65 years	60c
66 to 70 years	85c

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CAMERON SUNDAY AND MONDAY



NEWS FROM  
MINERVA

The First Quarterly Conference of the Minerva-Maysfield charge of the Methodist church will convene at Minerva Sunday, January 9. The Rev. N. H. Melbert, Presiding Elder, of Marlin will deliver the morning sermon and the business session will be held in the afternoon. Everyone is cordially invited to attend.

Miss Hazel Wilson of Waco spent several days of last week with Miss Artie Fleming.

Pierce and Howard Tomerlin of Fort Sam Houston visited homefolks during the week end.

Miss Gena Sanders of Austin is visiting her mother, Mrs. Ada Sanders, Mr. and Mrs. John Sanders, and daughter, Nan, of Waco were also guests in the Sanders home on Christmas day.

Mrs. George Nichol and son, Pat, visited relatives at Milano, Christmas day.

Miss Annie Frances Cone, who has completed her course at Byrne Commercial College, Dallas, spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Cone.

Mrs. Bruce Cass entertained the members of her Sunday School Class with a party at the church last Tuesday evening. Games were played and refreshments of fruit and cookies were served to the following: Clara McFarland, Emma Ruth Cooper, Louise Edwards, Willie B. Cass and the hostess.

J. S. Jacob motored to Fort Worth on Sunday and was accompanied home by his daughter, Miss Vada Zoe and Miss Florence Terry, who spent last week there.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Whites and daughter, Miss Marguerite, visited relatives at Sharpe on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Swain and daughter, Mary Bob of Vivian, La., spent the week end in the A. W. McCullin and J. C. Wallace homes.

Mrs. W. J. Manly of Fort Worth spent last week with her sister, Mrs. Tom Eward.

Ed Edwards of Bartlett visited homefolks last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Sapp and children of Maysfield spent Sunday in the Arval Sapp home and were accompanied home by Mrs. Jane Sapp, who will spend this week there.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Dixon and children, and guests, Mrs. Josie Krall and son of Houston, visited Mr. and Mrs. Austin Cotharn at Lorena last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lucian Reed motored to Hearne on Sunday.

J. T. Underwood of Overton spent Sunday evening in the B. F. Cone home.

Mrs. C. C. Smith and daughter, Miss Kittie, have moved to Rockdale.

T. Y. McCormick has sold the Minerva Garage to Robert Brannon of Rockdale and has accepted the position as a driller and will be located at Gryson, Jack county. The community regrets to lose Mr. McCormick and wishes Mr. Brannon success in his new business.

G. C. Lucas, who has been serious-

ly ill, was carried to the Scott and White Hospital, Temple, last Thursday evening and was able to be brought home on Tuesday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Trotter and sons and Mrs. Lee Wallace visited G. C. Lucas at the Temple hospital on Sunday afternoon.

Nurse Files Report  
To Health Board  
Of Milam County

Pearl Fulcrod health nurse has submitted to the County Health Board the following report for December:

Seven schools visited; 56 children weighed, measured and inspected; 6 visits to school children; 28 morbidity cases visited and seven visits to cripples; 11 pre-natal visits and post natal; 12 visits to infants and 10 pre-school children; 5 tubercular visits; 30 general visits, 50 office visits; 50 letters written and 25 pieces of literature given to patients; conducted one class in pre-natal care with 4 present; committee meeting, 8 present; total number of visits made 119.

Miss Sue Nicholson was a guest of Miss Fulcrod in December. She is a state advisory nurse.

Mrs. Stella C. Lancaster of Merimac, Mass., in her will bequeathed Miss Sarah Little the right to "use the back stairs and a portion of the lawn of the Lancaster residence."

William Miko, charged with arson in a Pittsburg court, told police his car kept stalling just when he needed it most, so he finally gave up and tossed a match into the gas tank.

Vaccination Sought  
For School Children  
Of the County

Interest in bringing about wholesale vaccination of school children to prevent diseases was reported Thursday at the meeting of the Child Welfare Board meeting jointly with the Public Health Board in the home of Mrs. Jules Coffield in Rockdale.

Tubercular control clinics offered by the state will be sought for the county in the spring.

Work for crippled children and training for cripples are making progress, it was reported.

The next meeting will be held with Mrs. J. P. Love in Cameron, it was reported by Mrs. Paul Czerkus.

"Safety First" Is  
Slogan of Joe  
Schiller

"Safety First" is a good slogan to use, says Joe Schiller of Burlington. He came to Cameron last week. He bought a ticket in Burlington and rode the Southern Pacific train down to the county seat to transact business.

Mr. Schiller is an old timer and in this modern age thinks a train is fast enough and a lot safer than running traffic hazards on the highways.

The Herald office appreciated a call from Mr. Schiller who has been a reader of this paper for many years.

The fire department of Portland, Mich., a town of 2,000 population, hasn't made a run in five months, and its fire loss for the year is less than \$200.

No. 138,501.

## NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

THE STATE OF TEXAS,  
COUNTY OF MILAM.

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

That, Whereas, by Deed of Trust dated December 12, 1925, and recorded in Volume 57, at Page 236 of the Deed of Trust Records of Milam County, Texas, L. L. Lee and wife, Katie Bell Lee of Hays County, Texas, conveyed to Louis Breiling Trustee, the hereinafter described real estate to secure The Union Central Life Insurance Company in the payment of a debt therein described, and

Whereas, default occurred in the payment of part of said indebtedness secured by said Deed of Trust and on account of which default The Union Central Life Insurance Company, the holder and owner of said indebtedness declared the whole principal amount thereof due under the provisions of said Deed of Trust, and the original Trustee named in said Deed of Trust, being deceased, said The Union Central Life Insurance Company appointed me, Ben F. Brown, as Trustee in the place and stead of the said original Trustee, and requested me to advertise and sell said real estate for the purpose of satisfying said indebtedness, which on the date of the sale herein will amount to \$1,591.79.

Now, Therefore, notice is hereby given on Tuesday, the 1st day of

February, A. D. 1938, between the hours of ten o'clock A. M., and four o'clock P. M., I will sell said real estate at the door of the County Court House of Milam County, Texas, in the City of Cameron, Texas, to the highest bidder for cash. Said real estate is situated in the County of Milam, State of Texas, and described as follows:

Seventy (70) acres of land, being out of and a part of the John F. Guthrie Original Surety in said County, on the headwaters of the School House Branch, a tributary of Brushy Creek; Pat 3, Vol. 5, Abst. 175, and more particularly described as follows, to-wit:

BEGINNING at W. L. Brown's N. W. corner, same being in the East line of the J. B. Wills 240 acre tract, at a stake set in said line, from which a P. O. 12 in. in diameter marked X bears N. 20 Deg. E. 6 1-2 varas, (which said point is S. 20 Deg. W. 1920 vrs; S. 19 Deg. E. 1280 vrs; S. 71 Deg. E. 1466 vrs. and S. 20 Deg. W. 260 vrs. from the N. W. corner of the original John F. Guthrie Survey.)

THENCE—S. 70 Deg. E. 950 vrs. With W. L. Brown's North line to stake set in Catchings' West boundary line, from which a P. O. 24 in. in diameter marked "X" bears N. 80 Deg. W. 11 1-2 varas;

THENCE—N. 20 Deg. E. with Catchings' West boundary line 405 1-2 vrs. to a stake set in said line, from which a P. O. 4 inches in dia. brs. N. 48 Deg. W. 11 vrs;

THENCE—N. 70 Deg. W. 950 vrs. to a stake set in J. B. Wills' East boundary line, from which a P. O. 12 in. in diameter brs. N. 85 Deg. E. 11 1-2 vrs., marked "X";

THENCE 11 1-2 Deg. W. 147 vrs. to a stake set in J. B. Wills' S. E. corner;

THENCE—S. 20 Deg. W. 260 vrs. to the place of beginning, and containing 70 acres of land, more or less.

Being the same land conveyed to L. L. Lee, grantor herein, by deed from Stephen Rieger, et ux., dated Jan. 8, 1920 and recorded in Volume 154, page 157 of the Milam County Deed Records.

Dated this 4th day of January, A. D. 1938.

BEN F. BROWN,  
Substitute Trustee.

When Frank Jones of Chicago tried to flirt with a girl on the street, she knocked him down, had him arrested, and he was fined \$50.

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plane Sedan, new rubber, a  
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Rubber. Smooth Running

1928 Chevrolet Coach.  
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1936 Terraplane Coupe,  
Sweet Running. Easy on  
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1935 International Truck  
36 Motor, Duals—Terms.

1929 Chevrolet Sedan  
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Report of Condition of the

## First National Bank

in Cameron

In the State of Texas, at the close of business on December 31, 1937, published in response to call made by Comptroller of the Currency, under Section 5211, U. S. Revised Statutes:

## ASSETS:

Loans and discounts	\$112,886.32
Overdrafts	59.84
United States Government obligations, direct and fully guaranteed	61,432.19
Other bonds, stocks, and securities	245,856.71
Banking house, \$35,000.00, Furniture and fixtures, \$1.00	35,001.00
Real estate owned other than banking house	5,737.00
Reserve with Federal Reserve bank	64,715.27
Cash, balances with other banks, and cash items in process of collection	69,288.41
Total Assets	\$594,976.77

## LIABILITIES:

Demand deposits of individuals, partnerships and corporations	\$312,050.32
Time deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations	88,786.40
State, county, and municipal deposits	82,800.00
United States Government and postal savings deposits	31,729.88
Deposits of other banks, including certified and cashier's checks outstanding	3,281.88
Deposits secured by pledge of loans and/or investments	\$104,529.88
Deposits not secured by pledge of loans and/or investments	414,118.60
Total Deposits	\$518,648.48
Class A preferred stock, 312½ shares, par \$64.00; Common stock, 500 shares, par \$100.00 per share	\$70,000.00
Surplus	2,500.00
Undivided profits—net	1,328.29
Preferred stock retirement fund	2,500.00
Total Capital Account	76,328.29
Total Liabilities	\$594,976.77

## MEMORANDUM: Loans and Investments Pledged to Secure Liabilities:

United States Government obligations, direct and fully guaranteed	58,398.44
Other bonds, stocks, and securities	70,406.12
Total Pledged (excluding rediscounts)	\$128,804.56
Pledged:	
Against United States Government and postal savings deposits	33,000.00
Against State, county, and municipal deposits	95,804.56
Total Pledged	\$128,804.56

State of Texas, County of Milam, ss:

I, George Waller, cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

GEO. WALLER, Cashier.

CORRECT—Attest:

R. H. McIntosh.

H. M. Hefley.

A. H. Gurecky.

Directors.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 10th day of January, 1938.

Wm. A. Sell, Notary Public.

(SEAL)

## LISTEN!

Now is the time to buy a good watch cheap. I just purchased a new stock of watches among which are:

5—7 jewel Elgins, fitted in 20 year yellow gold cases only \$5.50 each.

3—15 jewel Elgins in 20 year gold filled cases, \$7.50 each.

4—17 jewel Elgins and Walthams in 25 year yellow gold cases, \$10.50 each.

Several priced from \$2.50 to \$4.50 Satisfaction guaranteed.

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**Our Town**

be used by the Treasury Department to pay current running expenses of the government. In place of the real money paid in by workers and employers, the Security fund merely has Uncle Sam's IOU paper for the amount so used.

If the Federal government were in good condition financially, and operating with a balanced budget, this "borrowing" of working men's contributions might not be particularly objectionable. But if the government's income were equal to its expenditures there would be no necessity for borrowing at all.

It happens that under the terms of the Social Security Act there is no provision for keeping the money contributed by workers and employers in a trust fund from which to make old age or unemployment payments. Book accounts are kept of the amount paid in, of course, but the real money isn't there.

A good many people are wondering what would happen say 10 or 20, or more, years from now if the present national debt of \$37,000,000,000 should continue to be increased, and if there might be another war to pay for in the meantime. The social security fund is being dipped into already, and if the government's needs became desperate enough there is no law to prevent the spending of the entire fund.

And who could make the government pay old age benefits, or anything else, if there were no real money with which to pay?

A unique monument to the memory of Thomas A. Edison will be dedicated at Menlo Park, N. J., on February 11, the 91st anniversary of the great inventor's birth. It will be a tower surmounted by a powerful beacon in the form of an electric light bulb, its total height being 131 feet.

The "bulb" is constructed of 164 pieces of ground glass, each weighing 65 pounds, held in place by a steel framework, and inside will be 960 electric lights having a total power of 5,200 watts. The bulb is 14 feet high and weighs three tons.

In the tower at a height of 106 feet an organ and loud speakers will be installed, and the total cost of the completed monument will be approximately \$100,000, donated by William S. Barstow, an eminent electrical engineer, whose association with Edison began in 1887.

The monument will stand over the exact site of the workshop where Edison developed many of his important inventions, including the in-

candescent electric light, the 50th anniversary of which was widely celebrated in 1929.

To a greater degree than most years, 1937 was a year of tragedy at home and abroad. Seldom has so much of disaster, destruction and death been crowded into a period of twelve months. And most of the troubles which have beset the world throughout the year were created through the folly of human beings themselves.

The most horrible pages of the year's record were written in war-torn Spain and China, where the slaughter of non-combatants—men, women and children—is without a parallel in history. And no end to that slaughter is yet in sight.

Two major disasters occurred in the United States, the Ohio and Mississippi flood, which claimed some 800 lives, and the school explosion at New London, Texas, in which 455 perished. Minor tragedies were numerous, the most spectacular being the explosion of the dirigible Hindenburg with a loss of 36 lives. Many airplane crashes took a heavy toll, the worst in history killing 19 persons in Utah.

More people were killed by auto-

mobiles than in any previous year, the total reaching close to 40,000 with more than a million injured.

In the economic field, costly strikes, the feud between rival labor organizations, the business recession and increasing unemployment have been disturbing factors continuing into the new year, not to mention the anxiety over what the administration and Congress may do next.

**THE STATE OF TEXAS**

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Milam County, Greeting:

G. W. Malone, Guardian of the Estate of Johnnie, Venice M. and Lonita Henderson, Minors, having filed in our County Court his Final Account of the condition of the Estate of said minors numbered 1353 on the Probate Docket of Milam County, together with an application to be discharged as guardian of said Estate.

You Are Hereby Commanded, That by publication of this Writ for ten days in a Newspaper printed in the County of Milam you give due notice to all persons interested in the Account for Final Settlement of said Estate, to appear and contest the same if they see proper so to do, on

Monday the 17th day of January A. D. 1938 at the Court House of said County, in Cameron, Texas, when said Account and Application will be acted upon by said Court.

Given Under My Hand and seal of said Court, at my office in the City of Cameron, Texas, this 3rd day of January A. D. 1938.

HOMER NABOURS,  
Clerk, County Court Milam County.  
By Christine Kubecka, Deputy.

**Old Time Publisher Visits In Cameron On Monday**

Frank Cates of Bartlett was a visitor in Cameron Monday. For many years Mr. Cates was one of the state's best known weekly newspaper publishers. He has been a frequent visitor in Cameron during recent years, since his retirement from the publishing business in Bartlett. Some years ago he sold the Bartlett Tribune. He represents in his thinking the old press of Texas, resplen-

dent in its hey day as moulder of public opinion and a safeguard for American institutions. Like many of the old timers, Cates, regrets the passing of the principles of Democracy as Texans knew it and deplors the tendency to socialize both politics and industry. Commenting on the business institutions of Cameron Mr. Cates said he was greatly impressed

by the strength and business of the Cameron Life Insurance Company.

Business appears to be good in at least one line up in Victoria, B. C., where a newspaper item says: "The board reports receipts 50 per cent greater than last year, and hopes that next year the cemetery will be self supporting."

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Listed Below Are Few Recent Claims Paid:

Insured and Address	Amt. Po.	Amt. Pd.	D-D	D Pd.
Stella Jamison, Houston	\$1000	\$1000	9-26-37	10-11-37
Henry Mintzenmayer, Taylor	1000	1000	10- 8-37	10-12-37
Luke Taylor, Mumford	1000	1000	10-22-37	10-26-37
Mary Arr, Rockdale	500	500	10-25-37	10-29-37
Walter W. Fox, Bartlett	1000	1000	10-31-37	11- 1-37
Albert Floyd Varnell, Barry	1000	1000	11- 5-37	11- 8-37
O. W. Burney, Rockdale	1000	1000	11-16-37	11-18-37
Henry D. Whites, Buckholts	500	500	11-20-37	11-22-37

Policies issued in Amounts of \$150.00, \$250.00, \$500.00, \$1,000.00, \$1500.00 and \$2,000.00.

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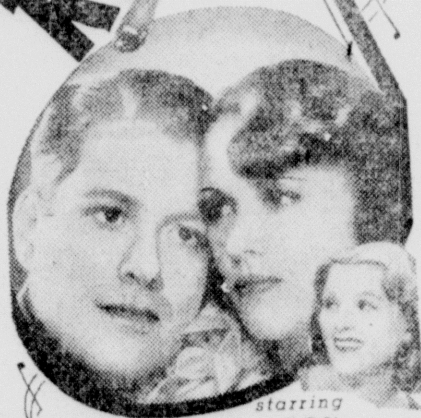
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# WIDOW MEXICAN WAR VET IS DEAD

Mrs. Julia Kirk, widow of the late Thomas Kirk, Mexican war veteran, died Sunday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. B. F. Robinson at Ben Arnold.

Funeral services were held at the home and Liberty church near Hanover Monday afternoon where interment was made. Rev. Vernon G. Miles, pastor of the First Baptist church in Cameron, conducted the services.

It was said here Tuesday that Mrs.

Kirk was perhaps the last surviving widow of a Mexican war veteran. Thomas Kirk, pioneer, was 95 years old when he died at the family home in the post oak country near Liberty. He was a brother of the late Mrs. W. W. Oxsheer, the families settling in Milam county while Texas was a Republic under the guidance of Sam Houston.

Mrs. Kirk was a native Texan. She came to Milam county when one year of age. Names of the surviving relatives could not be ascertained.

minimum of details, waiting and expense.

"It is not necessary for any honorably discharged veteran to file a declaration of intention to prove the usual five years residence in the United States and 6 months residence in a given county or judicial district, to produce a certificate of arrival, or to pay any petition fee before any federal court, and only the usual fee before the state court.

"It is necessary, however, that a veteran desiring to acquire his full citizenship without the usual waiting period, shall file his petition with any federal or state district court, submitting proof of his status as a veteran prior to May 25, 1938.

"Veterans interested should communicate with the Immigration and Naturalization Service, Department of Labor, Washington, D. C. It is probable this liberal opportunity for alien-veterans to become citizens will not again be extended after May 28, 1938."

During a storm off the English coast a huge wave washed Jim Costa a sailor, overboard, and shortly afterward another swept him back on deck. Aside from a severe fright and the loss of his false teeth he was unharmed by his experience.

Professional "best men," who arrange and conduct the entire wedding ceremony for clients, have appeared in Budapest, Hungary.

## Mrs. Fred Cable Injured In Car Wreck at Plainview

Mrs. Fred B. Cable, former resident here, was in a Plainview hospital, critically injured following an automobile accident near that city on Friday.

Larry Cable, her son, escaped injuries. Mrs. Cable suffered a broken back, fractured pelvis, broken ribs, dislocated hip and cuts about the head. She was taking her son to junior high school when the accident occurred.

Mrs. Cable is the wife of F. B. Cable, former cashier of the First National Bank. Before her marriage she was Miss Olga Mae Fink of Waco.

FOR SALE—5 or 6 Shetland colts, suitable for Christmas presents. Can be seen at my home. R. L. Batte.

## Joe Moore Wants to See Contract Before Talking of Salary

Joe Moore of Gause, New York Giant outfielder, said Monday he hoped it would be unnecessary for him to join the company of holdouts this year.

He has not received his contract.

### CARD OF THANKS

We desire to express to our friends and neighbors our sincere appreciation for their kindness to us during our recent sorrow over the loss of our dear husband and father, L. G. Hafley. We will remember always with especial gratitude each one who came. We thank those who gave flowers and all who in any way assisted us.

Mrs. L. G. Hafley and family, Gause, Texas.

and could not say what his course would be until he had learned what the Giant club would offer him to play with the National League Champions in 1938.

He is busy this winter with his stock farm near Gause. About March 1 he will leave for Baton Rouge, La., to begin training for the season ahead. Mr. and Mrs. Moore were in Cameron Monday shopping and transacting business.

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## Chevrolet Trucks On Display Here This Week End

The first local public display of Chevrolet's new and improved 1938 Chevrolet trucks will be held at the Grabein Chevrolet Co., show rooms the remainder of the week it was announced today. The display is part of National Truck Week, designed to exhibit the latest developments in delivery and haulage equipment.

National Truck Week, Mr. Grabein explained, is the direct result of the unusual volume of favorable comment received by Chevrolet officials concerning the display of the new trucks at the National Automobile Shows at New York and Chicago and at the National Truck Show at Newark, N. J., last November.

"Chevrolet dealers throughout the country are joining in National Truck Week because of the favorable reaction at these shows," Mr. Grabein declared. "Comment, and subsequent orders revealed that business men are anxious to find a means of improving their delivery and haulage equipment and at the same time curtail costs."

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The bad feelings and dullness often attending constipation take the joy out of life. Try a dose of Black-Draught at the first sign of constipation and see how much better it is to check the trouble before it gets a hold on you. Black-Draught is purely vegetable and is so prompt and reliable.

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## Easy Naturalization Aid Now Available To War Veterans

H. B. McClellan, war veteran and prominent Legionaire has advanced the information that naturalization of war veterans has become much more easy under new service plans and will be glad to devote his time to aid them.

Mr. McClellan says: "The immigration and naturalization service is making it possible for war veterans who have not as yet received final citizenship papers to do so with

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### Real Fighters in 'Reel' Prizefight Opens Today

No, there are real fights and reel fights. And there are real fighters and reel fighters. But there can be real fighters in reel fights.

At least, that was the case in the Warner Bros. picture, "The Perfect Specimen," which co-stars Errol Flynn and Joan Blondell and includes Hugh Herbert, Allen Jenkins, Edward Everett Horton, Hugh O'Connell, Dick Foran, May Robson and Beverly Roberts in the supporting cast. The film is showing today and Friday at the Cameron Theatre.

The real fighters in question were Errol Flynn, a member of the 1928 Irish Olympic boxing team, and Jack Roper, the veteran heavyweight professional. The reel fight was a scheduled ten round match, the feature of the annual picnic of the Truck Drivers and Teamsters Local.

In the center of "The Perfect Specimen" set at the Hollywood Warner Bros. studios was a regulation boxing ring, surrounded by a cheering crowd of fight fans. In the ring were the fighters—Gerald Beresford Wicks (Errol Flynn) vs. Chloroform Conley (Jack Roper.) Present, too, were the referee, the seconds and other officials.

But that's as close as this reel fight came to being a real one. From now on, the bout was "framed" by the scenarists, primarily because the "cheering crowd," the fighters and the referee knew what the result would be. They knew that the bout would last only four rounds, that in the fourth round Errol would stage a remarkable comeback to knock out Chloroform.

This reel fight was to be different in other ways. Theoretically, it should have lasted only fifteen minutes. Actually, it took four and one half days to film the boxing sequences. All is not as easy as it would appear. Real fights have to be real but not too real. The "boxers" don't want to injure each other and yet it can't be too obvious that they are pulling their punches.

The bout was shot in reverse. First came the knockout scenes. These are the hardest and Director Michael Curtiz wanted to get the most difficult parts out of the way as soon as possible. Then came the actual sparring scenes, close-ups mediums and far shots.

Even the "cheering crowd" was not real. It "cheered" spasmodically and only when the camera was turning. Between scenes, the extras would rest, eat or play cards.

Flynn suffered a fractured rib as the result of a fall and Roper was nursing a swollen hand because of a glancing blow to Errol's head as the latter collided with some lighting equipment.

Which all proves that whether the fight be reel or real, reel accidents are bound to happen and the injuries sustained will be real ones.

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## Court House News

#### MARRIAGES

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D. J. Jackson and Bettie Teague.

#### DEEDS

E. A. Canip et ux to Graham Young, 140 acres of block 15 of the M. J. Dilgado survey, \$2,250.  
Frank Mills et ux to Alie Blackman 3 acres of the John Nolan headright, \$200.  
George C. Murray et ux by Tr. Deed to Federal Farm Mortgage Corp. 187 acres of the Charles Tom league, and another tract, amount not given, \$800.  
C. J. McLerran et ux, by Sub. Tr. to Federal Land Bank, Houston, 110 acres of the J. J. Whitesides grant \$1,400.  
W. Wilson et ux to J. M. Williamson, undivided interest in 240 3-8 acres of the Jose Justo Lindo grant, \$1 and other considerations.  
Ed. M. McCoy et ux to Rudolph Scheibelin, 120 acres of the W. Pharris league \$12 and other considerations.

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T. S. Barkly to Domain Oil Company 446 acres of the Jackson Hall league, \$10.  
F. J. Bolton et ux to Domain Oil Company 35 acres of the Jackson Hall league, \$10.  
George T. Graves et al to Domain Oil Company, 800 acres of the Jackson Hall survey \$10.  
Emma Hardie to Domain Oil Company 196 acres of the Charles Cronia survey, \$10.  
Mrs. W. A. von Rosenberg to

Domain Oil Company, 127 1-2 acres on the Rockdale-Davilla road, \$10.  
J. B. Anderson to Domain Oil Company, 187 1-2 acres on the San Gabriel-Lilac road, \$10.  
John Batla to Domain Oil Company 71 acres of land in Milam county \$1.  
Edgar Campbell et ux to Domain Oil Company 70 acres of the Jackson Hall survey, \$10.

#### NEW AUTOS REGISTERED

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Leona W. Ulbright, Cameron, Chevrolet Master Town Sedan.  
Martin Rodenbeck, Thorndale, Ford De Lux Car.  
Joe Zajick, Buckholts, Master Town Chevrolet.  
Johnnie Fuchs, Buckholts, Chevrolet Master Sedan.  
C. R. Law, Cameron, Ford V-8 Pickup.  
H. H. Turner, Rockdale, Ford Tudor Car.  
H. H. Coffield, Rockdale, Ford De Lux Car.  
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#### PROBATE COURT

Preston Sanders appointed administrator of the estate of Charlie Washington, deceased, bond fixed at \$250. T. B. Ryan, John P. Hale and H. M. Lucky appointed appraisors.  
State of Texas vs. George Bice, on January 3, 1938, was found to be of unsound mind.  
Serard Cobert of East Moline, Ill., recently won a grave-digging contest by completing the digging of a grave in one hour, six and one-half minutes.

### Newspaper Life Is Drama Background For "Back In Circulation" Here January 18 and 19

Nobody plays a fast-talking wisecracking newspaper man like Pat O'Brien, it has been conceded ever since he did Hildy Johnson in the classic "Front Page."

But he has a feminine rival for those honors in "Back In Circulation," the Warner Bros. comedy-drama which opens at the Cameron Theatre Jan. 18. And the rival is none other than Joan Blondell, who is co-starred with him.

"Back In Circulation," which was written by the eminent author, Adela Rogers St. Johns and directed by Ray Enright, sees Pat as managing editor of a sensation newspaper which will halt at nothing to increase its circulation, and Joan as his star reporter.

The story has to do with the mysterious death of a millionaire, which Pat and Joan solve—as well as rescue from death or life imprisonment the man's widow, who has refused to save herself from conviction for murder. Miss Blondell is said to give one of her most realistic performances as a sob sister who stops at nothing to get her story.

A high-class cast supports the team of stars, including Margaret Lindsay, John Littel, Regis Toomey, Craig Reynolds, and George E. Stone.

King Gustav V. Sweeden's rugged old monarch, has just celebrated in quite fashion the 30th anniversary of his accession to the throne. Although 79 years old, he played a score of tennis matches last summer.

Mrs. Geo. W. King of Los Angeles filed suit for divorce from her husband because he had not taken a bath in the 24 years they had been married.

### \$30,000 In Loans To Buy Lands In Milam County

Although Milam County will not share in the land purchase program this year, loans of approximately \$30,000 being made by the Farm Security Administration for 1938 will help this county's farmers advance toward eventual farm ownership, according to Louie Dunbar, FSA's county supervisor. Mr. Dunbar has already completed farm and home plans on which loans will be made to 44 farmers. A large part of the funds will be for livestock, tools, and canning equipment. Tenants who have their own livestock and equipment will be given preference when the farm purchase program is expanded, as it will be in the next two years.

This county's farmers operating under the FSA rehabilitation program now show average net assets of \$405, as compared with \$147 in 1935, according to the annual report made public this week. They have

vested 3185 acres of feed and forage crops last year, whereas, during the year before being taken into this program they harvested only 1093 acres. They now have 408 work animals, as compared with 87. Their milk cows have increased from 73 to 240, hogs from 112 to 465, and poultry from 1150 to 5480. Fruit and vegetable preserved, per family, amounted last year to 225 quarts, as compared with 35 quarts before these families were taken into the program.

A total of 64 farmers have been helped to advance from farm laborers or "half-and-half" croppers to "third-and-fourth" tenants, through ownership of livestock and equipment.

The supervisor also estimated that 175 children have been enabled to increase the time of attendance at school since their families were accepted for the rural rehabilitation program.

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## CAMERON THEATRE

Thursday and Friday, January 13 and 14

### The Perfect Specimen

Errol Flynn and Joan Blondell

Saturday, January 15

### DANGER PATROL

PREVIEW

### Wine, Women & Horses

Sunday and Monday, January 16 and 17

### Rosalie

Garbo and Chas. Boyer

Tuesday and Wednesday, January 18 and 19

### Back in Circulation

Joan Blondell and Pat O'Brien

BARGAIN NIGHTS

Thursday and Friday, January 20 and 21

### Live, Love and Learn

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### "Danger Patrol"

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cerine workers, RKO Radio's "Danger Patrol" brings Sally Eilers, John Beal and Harry Carey in the leading roles.

Beal portrays a young medical student who takes up the life of a "soup handler" to earn money to complete his studies. Miss Eilers is the daughter of Carey, a veteran at the risky game, and when Beal becomes her father's protege in learning the details of the business, the romance begins.

Throughout the swift action runs a vivid delineation of the actual duties of nitro workers, and of their methods in bringing in new wells or extinguishing fires with deft application of a few quarts of the treacherous explosive. This realistic setting, and the ever-present danger of instant death as a result of a careless moment, greatly enhances the drama and contrasts strongly with its love story.

Much of the picture was actually filmed in the oil fields and under the guidance of veteran nitro men who saw to it that its background was true to life.

Produced by Maury Cohen and directed by Lew Landers, who made such dramatic films as "Flight from Glory" and "Without Orders," "Danger Patrol" was scenarized by Sy Bartlett from the original story by Helen Vreeland and Hilda Vincent.

The picture tops the bill at the Cameron Theatre Saturday, January 15th. At night the preview film is "Wine, Women and Horses."

### "Rosalie"

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Philadelphia. They started me out working a telephone switchboard. It was my misfortune, or so it seemed, that I couldn't resist singing on the job; some of the customers on the telephone line thought I was pretty good.

"Apparently a lot of others did not share the opinion. I think I lasted about one week. Then I received a summons from the gentleman in command. Lacking a guilty conscience, I did not expect the information I received. Forthwith, I was no longer a telephone operator."

Eddy's next job was in a shipping room. Here he had every reason to expect he might yodel to his heart's content. Except that he didn't yodel. He sang operatic numbers or anything else that appealed to him—but in any event, good music. That did not particularly suit the foreman, who preferred catchy rhythms or nothing at all. It wasn't long before the unappreciated Nelson Eddy was looking for a job again.

Most Americans would prefer clipping coupons to writing obituaries. Need, greater than choice, led Nelson to a newspaper office, where he took over the lowliest of editorial tasks, doing "obits." Before long he became known as the singing reporter, and then he turned to advertising writing. At this stage of the game he began to receive encouragement and before long began serious study of music.

Close to ten years of constant work preceded his debut in films, but when he did appear in "Naughty Marietta," he suddenly became one of the biggest box office hits in the business.

### Ad Hall School

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perintendent of the Cameron schools were speakers.

When the building was destroyed last November, trustees were invited to send the children to Cameron. They declined to take advantage of the facilities of the Cameron schools and went forward with plans for the new building. The courage and progressive spirit of the community has been widely praised here.

Children were assembled in homes of the community and class work continued. On Monday, January 17, the school will be opened for use and classes will take their places in the new building.

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## FRANK McCALL DIES IN WACO WEDNESDAY

Frank McCall former resident of Walkers Creek and father of Clarence McCall, deputy sheriff, died Wednesday morning at the home of his son, Claude McCall in Waco.

Mr. McCall died suddenly. For several months he had made his home in Waco with his son. He had been in declining health for some time.

The pioneer had been a member of the Walkers Creek Baptist church for many years. He will be buried at Walkers Creek where the family lived for years. He was prominent in community affairs there for many years and many old time friends and neighbors will regret to know of his passing.

Surviving are seven sons as follows: Clarence and Willard McCall, of Cameron; W. M. McCall of Lawford; Ora McCall of Beaumont; Vernon McCall of Texas City; Ray and Claude McCall of Waco.

## GILLIS HEADS WOW LODGE IN CAMERON

Judge Graham Gillis is council commander of the local Camp of Woodmen of the World. Installation ceremonies were held on Tuesday night.

Officers installed in addition are: Lester Hughes, past commander; Grady Allen, adviser; H. N. Tate, banker; Walter Henrichsen, escort; J. H. Weiss, clerk; Jesse Brock, auditor, Bailey Jones, sentry.

Officers of the Woodmen Circle are Mrs. Gladys Watson, guardian; Mrs. Mamie Howell, past guardian; Mrs. Inez Angell, reporter; Mrs. Audell Horstmann, banker; Mrs. Lucretia Tate, finance secretary; Mrs. Ella McLerran, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Ida Johns, Mrs. Ollie Smith and Mrs. Sallie Kestenbaum, first, second and third auditors; Mrs. Nancy Vaughan, captain; Mrs. Louise Weems, attendant; Mrs. Fannie Jackson, visiting attendant; Mrs. Annie

Price, chaplain; Mrs. Darlie Henrichsen, junior counselor; Mrs. Ellen Hause, outer sentinel; Mrs. Marie Weiss, inner sentinel; Mrs. Rebina Inman, adviser; Mrs. Nettie Story, musician.

Judge Jeff T. Kemp was installing officer and was assisted by Joseph Weiss. Miss Mary Ellen Manning gave musical numbers on the program of installation.

Mrs. Laura E. Crebbs, state manager for the Circle, delivered an address.

### EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Sunday, January 16th, Evening Prayer and Sermon at 7:30.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ucinik of the Rosebud community are the proud parents of a little son whom they have named Frank, Jr. He was born at their home on Saturday, January 1, 1938.



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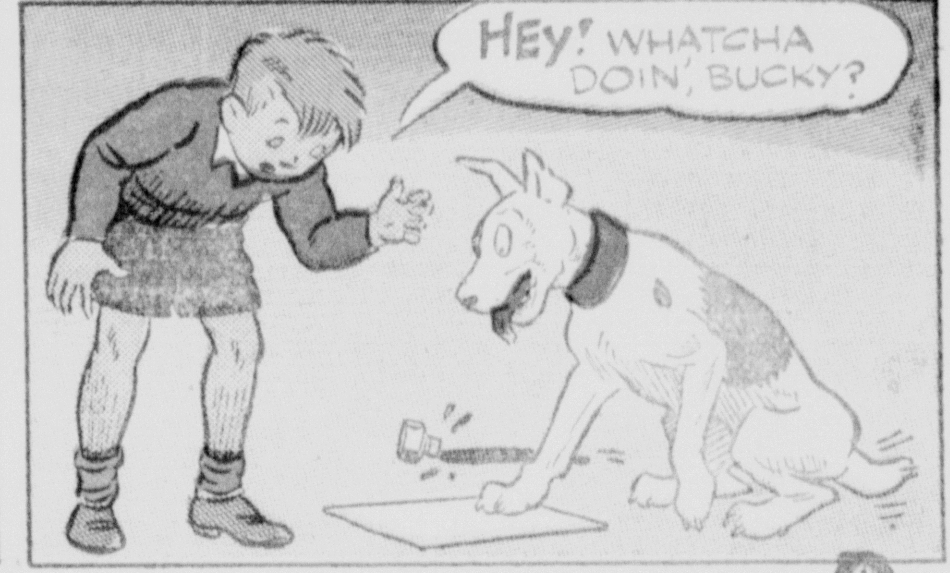
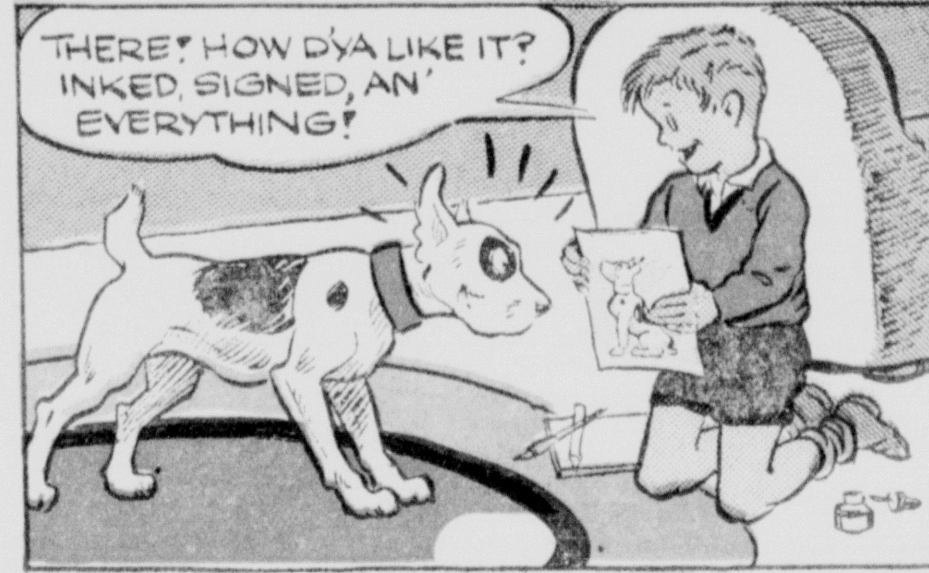
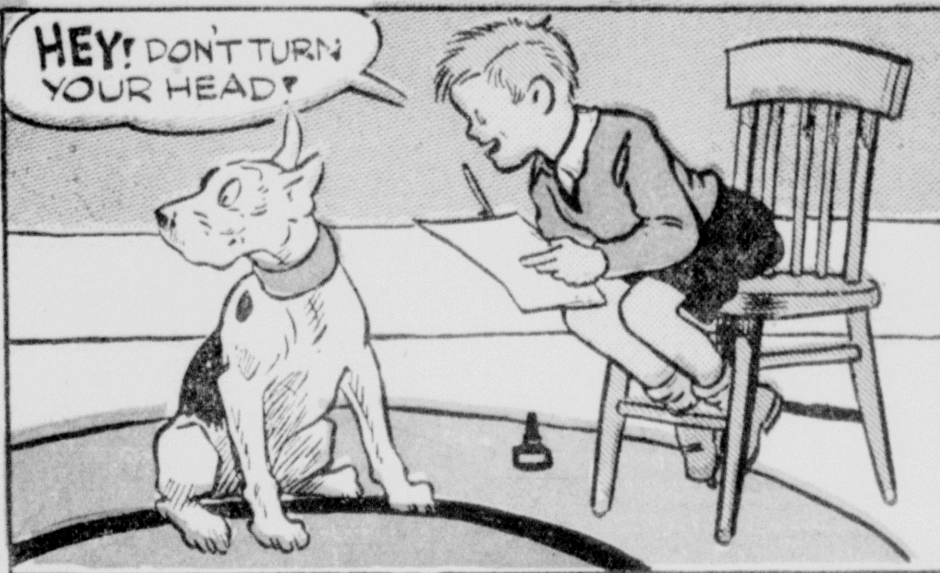
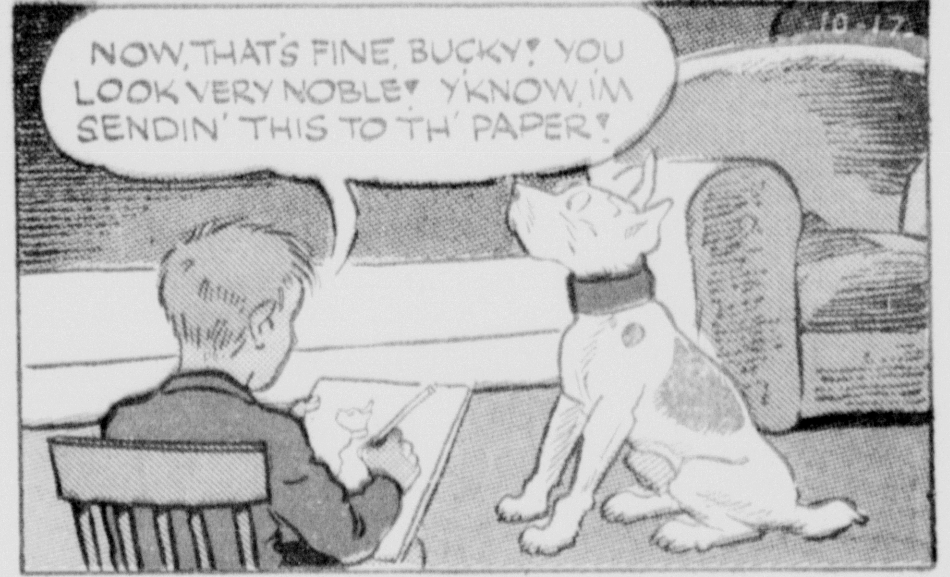
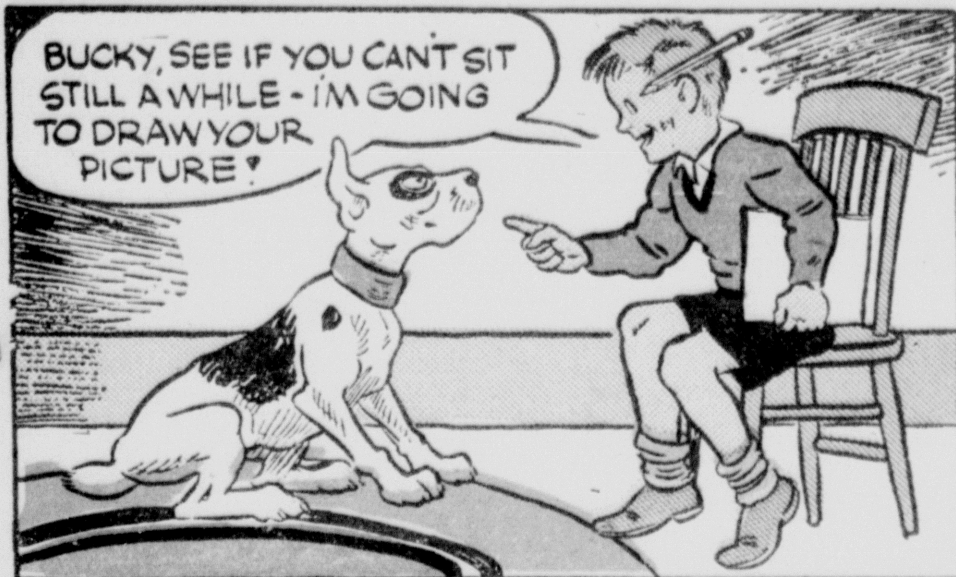
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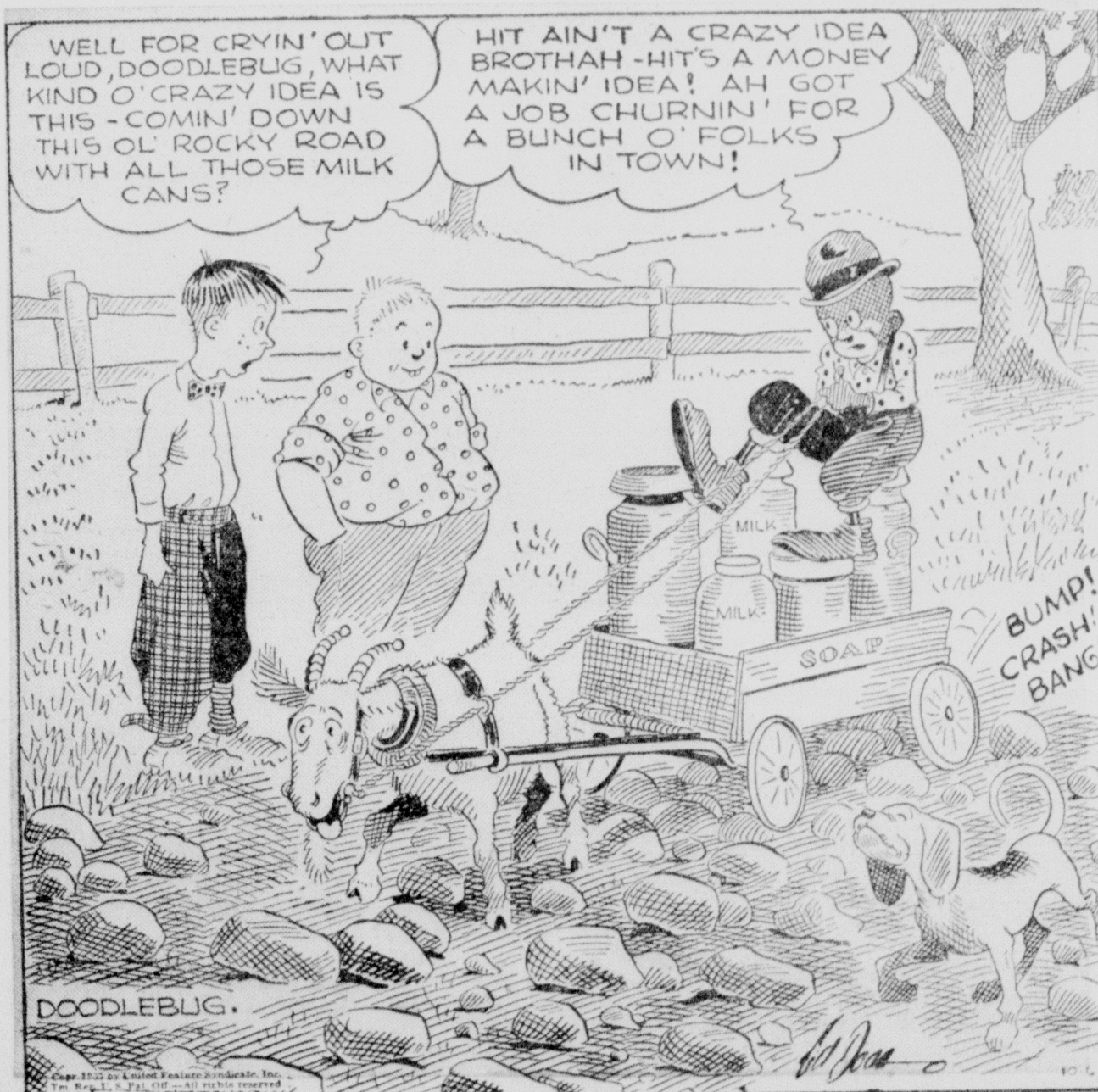


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### BACK HOME AGAIN

By Ed Dodd





# Seeking a Home in the New Land of Promise

By MARJORIE ROGERS  
Marlin, Texas

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TEXAS was a land of promise to hundreds of families from the old South during the dark period immediately following the close of the war between the States. From Mississippi, Alabama, Georgia, Tennessee and other battle-torn States came family after family, seeking to start life over amid new surroundings.

Events of the long and dangerous journey overland from Mississippi to Texas still are vivid in the memory of Mrs. Sarah Ann Ross Pringle, 92-year-old resident of Falls county, Texas, who made part of the trip afoot. Mrs. Pringle, whose husband served as postmaster of Marlin, Texas, during the last Cleveland administration, is a descendant of Betsy Ross, maker of the first American flag. She is now living in Marlin with her daughter, Mrs. Nat Llewellyn.

Like other survivors of war's bitter hardships, Mrs. Pringle has little sympathy for moderns who, in the midst of present-day luxuries, complain of their lot. She can remember when housewives had to sift smoke-house sweepings for a supply of salt, when synthetic coffee was made of parched okra and when all garments were homespun.

"We set out for Texas in 1865, when I was 20," she recalls. "The wagons traveled so slowly I grew restless and walked miles beside them, chatting with others about the horrors of a

war that we had left behind, and of the new country to which we were going."

## Thrilled Over Waterholes

To we home-seekers, the most exciting thing was the discovery of a waterhole. Supplies of water were scarce, because of drouth, and any source was welcomed.

• It took high courage and sublime faith to leave civilization behind and move into a raw country like Texas was in the 60's and 70's. This migration, a drama of the old West, was usually carried out amid hardships due to crude ox-team and wagon transportation, roads that were mostly blazed trails and streams that had to be ferried or forded.

Madisonville, Texas," Mrs. Pringle said. "There I stopped, and for several years made my home with my uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Garland Ross.

"Meanwhile, my two brothers, Albert and Brantly Ross, had walked out to Texas from Mississippi and settled at Kosse. In 1870, they sent for me, and I moved to Kosse to keep house for them."

Texas had called to another Mississippian following the war between the States. I. J. Pringle, who was reared in the same neighborhood as Sarah Ann Ross in Mississippi, came to Texas after the close of the conflict. He stopped first in Houston county, but soon moved on to Alto Springs in Falls county. A few years later, he met his childhood friend,

Sarah Ann Ross, and in 1873 they were married.

## Community Spirit Strong

"Everyone in the community took part in all the gatherings of that time," Mrs. Pringle recalls. "Camp meetings, singing schools and quilting gave the people of the community an opportunity to get acquainted. Often the gatherings were held in private homes. The ladies met for quilting; and a big dinner, of which each provided a part, was served.

"Women prided themselves on their ability to do fine sewing. Dainty stitches were the order of the day. And as the ladies sewed, they exchanged the news of the community.

"Those were the days, too, when women traveled many miles to help a friend. Often a woman would be away from her home a week at a time, helping nurse a sick person in some friend's home. Helping each other amounted to a practical religion."

In 1881, Mr. and Mrs. Pringle moved to Marlin, where Mr. Pringle accepted an appointment as postmaster. They were active in the life of the community. Mr. Pringle often preached at the Christian Church.

Although she has been a resident of Texas for more than seventy years, Mrs. Pringle remembers clearly her life in Mississippi during the war between the States, especially the hardships the people of the old South had to endure.

"We had to do without many of the necessities of life in the closing years of the war," Mrs. Pringle said. "At first, we could buy needles and pins, but as times grew harder, these seemingly trivial necessities were hard to find.

## Ash-Hoppers Indispensable

"We ran out of salt in the third year of the war, and could get no more during the remainder of the conflict. Since salt was a necessity, we had to find some supply. We dug up the dirt floors of our smokehouses, boiled the dirt and

government of Chiang Kai-shek and the Chinese Nationalist party.

As the new regime began to take over governmental functions in Northern China, including the collection of customs, Japanese troops continued to press the Chinese retreating in the Nanking area. The Chinese, who are estimated to have suffered 300,000 casualties among their armed forces alone in the months of fighting, showed no readiness for an armistice or for peace.

## General Chiang Kai-shek's Manifesto

Chiang Kai-shek, Generalissimo of China, in a manifesto broadcast to the Chinese nation, declared:

"No matter how the present situation may change we must not surrender but march onward. \* \* \* The basis of China's future success and of its prolonged resistance is not to be found in Nanking, nor in the big cities, but in the villages all over China and in the fixed determination of the people."

But, despite the Generalissimo's brave words, many who had witnessed the Chinese defeat at Nanking and seen the ruined city, wondered if with the loss of the capital had not been lost all hope of Chinese resistance to Japanese conquest.

However, Japan is handicapped. Unless China immediately capitulates and makes peace—the government of China is hitherto recognized in international law, that is—Japan's difficulties will have begun with its victory rather than ended. For unless Japan has a government to deal with it cannot capitalize its victory. And that the government of Nanking as constituted until recently will make a formal peace is hardly likely, and that it can deliver the country on the terms of such a peace is even less likely.

Soon after the war began last July the Japanese resolved to destroy the center of Chinese resistance, reluctantly convinced that they could not have North China without striking at China as a whole. Now that the Japanese have succeeded, they will have to ask themselves what they have done and why they did it.

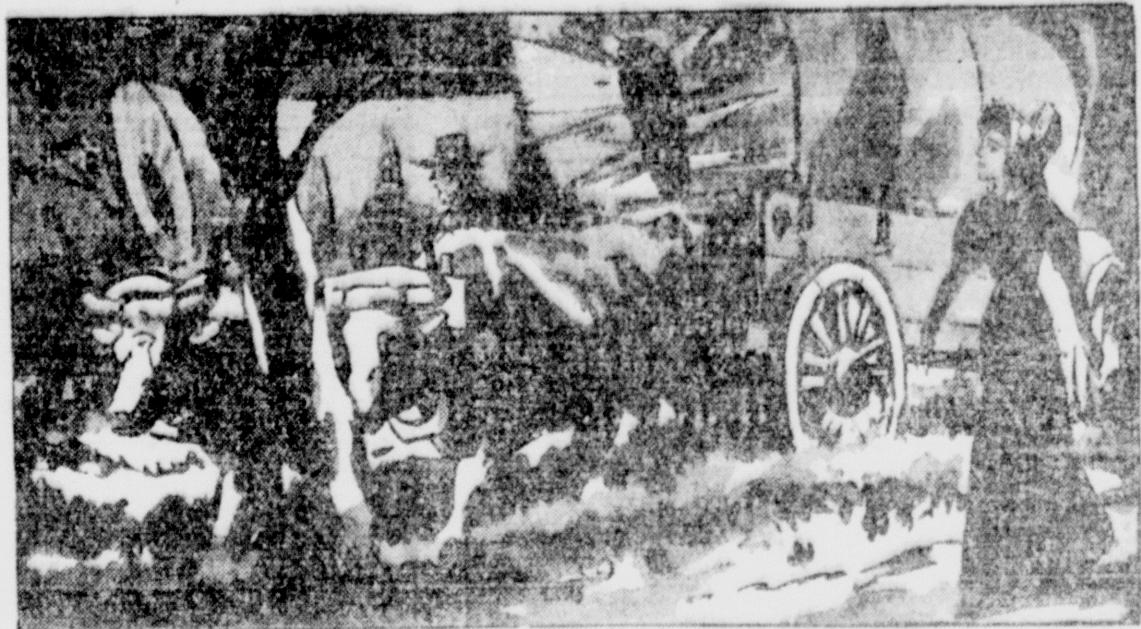
It is true enough that further advances of 100 or 600 miles, or whatever it might be, by the Japs into Chinese territory may cause further resistance by the Chinese, but it may well be asked what the Japanese could gain by such a campaign. With their control of Shanghai, of the Yangtze Valley up to Nanking and of the five northern Provinces, including principal railway outlets, they are in a position to dominate commercially and politically the very heart of China.

ran it through an ash-hopper. In this way we got dirty looking gray salt; while not the best it served the purpose, and almost everyone used this method to get salt."

Hand-made ash-hoppers were indispensable in early days, Mrs. Pringle recalled. Here is how they built them: Four sticks were cut from a sapling, each with a fork at the top. These sticks were driven into the ground about four feet apart, in the form of a square, and about three and a half feet high. Sticks, about the size of a person's ankle, were laid in the forks, thus forming a square frame. Half of a hollow log placed on the ground across the middle of this frame, with a large rock under one end, served as a trough. Clapboards were set in the square frame, one end being in the trough and the other supported by the frame, thus making a sort of triangular box, with the trough on one side and the clapboards on the other two sides. The top of this box, or hopper, either was left open or covered with loose boards which could be removed. The hoppers were used to get alkali out of ashes for soap-making.

## Wore Home-Made Clothes to War

"My half-brother went to war with the first volunteers when Mississippi seceded," Mrs. Pringle said. "We all went to the trains to see them off and



"Wagons traveled so slowly I grew restless and walked miles beside them."

give them our pictures. The first call took all of the single men, the next the married men, and in the last year even young boys and old men were called. The boys carried squirrel rifles and wore home-made clothes. My father went to war the last year. My uncle was wounded while on picket duty and they had to leave him. He was captured by the Yankees and we never heard of him again. A cousin of mine was captured, and spent eighteen months in a Northern prison."

When Mrs. Pringle's cousin finally was released from prison, where he had been poorly fed, he was so weak that he had to be helped on the train which was to convey him home. Some ladies at Baltimore, Md., gave him food at the train.

"When my cousin arrived at the station he procured and rode a mule to our home in the country," Mrs. Pringle recalled. "His mother, who had thought him dead, did not recognize him at first. When he came home, there was quite a celebration, in spite of the suffering which was going on all around us."

On the farm near Meridian, Missis-

ippi, where Mrs. Pringle was born September 25, 1845, the slaves remained loyal, she said. But in addition to shortage of food and other necessities of life, there was always the danger of a raid by enemy soldiers.

## A Yankee Raid

"We all had one occasion to be afraid," Mrs. Pringle remembers. "A raid occurred only two miles from our home. One neighbor, Mrs. Mary Newton, had gone to see her husband at Columbus. While she was away, the Yankee soldiers burned her gin, took her cows, hogs, chickens, two of the slaves and all of the provisions they could find."

"There was nothing that the loyal slaves could do about it. They could only stand by and watch the raiders take what they wanted and destroy what they did not want. The soldiers ripped Mrs. Newton's featherbeds open in their search for hidden money. When poor Mrs. Newton returned, she found everything in ruin. The soldiers plundered the whole community, but somehow our house escaped harm."

Substitutes for the staple foods were common in those days. Sometimes an armistice would be proclaimed for six days, and the soldiers on both sides would get friendly and exchange tobacco for coffee or other food.

"Times got mighty hard during the third year of the war," Mrs. Pringle asserted. "The Confederate government furnished provisions for war widows and other women who had no one to help make a crop. The Yankee soldiers ruined our flour mills when they burned our gins, and we had nothing to grind corn with. Finally times became so hard that we could not buy flour, sugar or salt. We had no coffee, but we learned how to parch okra, potato peelings and corn, and in this way made a fair coffee substitute which was nourishing."

## Lots of Material Needed

"The women of that day spun and wove, making clothing for the whole family. And it took lots of material for a woman's wardrobe, as they wore full skirts and about four undershirts."

Mr. Pringle was at school in Marion, Mississippi, when war between the States was declared. His professor organized a company of volunteers on the campus, sixty members of the class signing up. Mr. Pringle was with the 13th Mississippi Regiment, Company E, Barksdale Brigade. During the war he was wounded five times. At the Battle of Nashville he was wounded and captured, serving eighteen months in a Northern prison.

Mrs. Pringle has five children living. One son, Parker Pringle, lives in Tulsa, Oklahoma. Her daughters are Mrs. T. H. Mathieson, of Colorado Springs, Colorado; Mrs. Louis Wardlaw, of Fort Worth; Miss Fanny Pringle, teacher in the Dallas public school system, and Mrs. Llewellyn, of Marlin.

# Japan's Conquest of China

By NATHANIAL PEPPER  
(The New York Times)

THE conflict between Japan and China, now five months old, has from the first threatened to involve other countries, notably the United States and Great Britain. Both have large commercial stakes and many nationals in the war-stricken republic. Incidents affecting foreign lives and property have been frequent in recent months, leading to diplomatic protests and reiterated Japanese promises that such troubles would not recur.

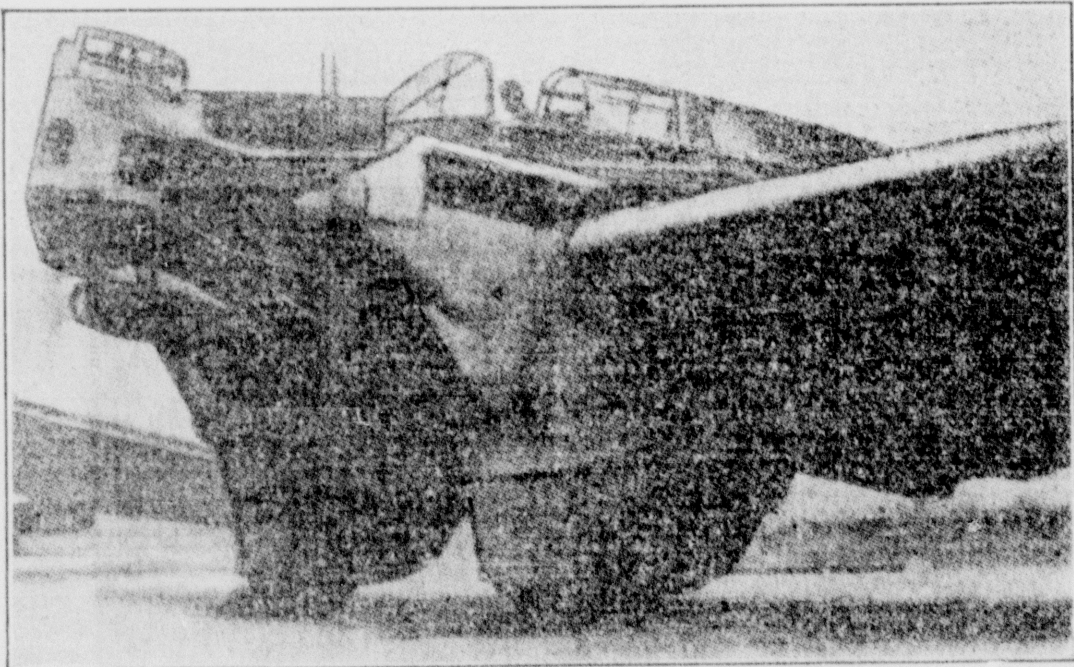
However, a new and more serious incident arose with the Japanese bombing and shelling of American and British war and merchant vessels in the Yangtze. The American gunboat Panay and three Standard Oil tank ships were recently sunk in the river. Prompt and vigorous protest by the United States followed.

An 1858 treaty between the United States and China granted the United States the right to protect its nationals and their trade in China. To make

the International Settlement at Shanghai. In Shanghai there is also a naval purchasing office to which a few blue-jackets are detailed.

The only American army troops in China are in the Fifteenth Infantry at Tientsin, as part of the international patrol to keep the railway open from the coast to Peiping. The patrol right was obtained under the Boxer Protocol of 1901 but was not exercised until the revolution of 1911-12. Since then the force has been kept there constantly. The Fifteenth Infantry numbers 735 officers and men.

There are 3,500 naval personnel and 3,200 marines in China. Nearly all the naval personnel are on ships while most of the marines are on shore—2,586 of them at Shanghai and 528 in the embassy guard at Peiping. Those at Shanghai are in the international Settlement in the Fourth and Sixth Regiments; the Fourth Regiment is permanently stationed there but the Sixth Regiment, 1,200 strong, went there only a few months ago as temporary rein-



A Japanese War Bomber Airplane

this protection real American gunboats, especially constructed for river navigation, have patrolled Chinese rivers. These vessels, all named for Pacific islands owned by the United States, included the Panay, a vessel of 450 tons built in Shanghai ten years ago.

## Series of Treaties

A series of treaties concluded by China with foreign governments, which opened China to the world, provided a system of treaty ports and permitted foreign vessels to patrol the coast and rivers to protect their nationals against pirates and other irregulars.

Under those treaties the United States is maintaining in Chinese waters two-score naval craft and on them or at shore stations and in Peiping, are soldiers, sailors and marines numbering 7,000 officers and men.

On land a marine guard is stationed at Peiping to protect the Embassy in pursuance of lessons of the Boxer Uprising. Also marines are maintained in

forcements in the Sino-Japanese crisis.

## Japan Pushes On

Japanese armed forces made a triumphal entry December 17th in Nanking, former capital of China, a city which the Chinese government in the past ten years had expended great sums and much labor to modernize and beautify. Formal occupation followed days of bombardment and hand-to-hand fighting, days in which fires burned through many sections of the city. The Japanese were reported to have looted much of the city and to have killed civilians in large numbers.

While occupying Nanking, the Japanese were also busy setting up a new Chinese government with a new capital—Kublai Khan, once the capital of Kublai Khan. Lately the city was renamed "Peking"—northern capital. The regime established in Peking, it was announced, would co-operate with Japan and Manchukuo, seek to eradicate communism and oppose both the

# Giants of the Air---100-Passenger Airplanes

ONLY a decade ago last May, Colonel Charles A. Lindbergh made the Atlantic flight which may be said, because of the inspiration of its dauntless and flawless performance, to have ushered in the modern era of aviation. As every one recalls, it was in a single-engine airplane woefully overloaded and able only by reason of faultless handling and navigation to reach its goal at Le Bourget, France, with its lone occupant. Now Colonel Lindbergh, as chairman of the technical committee of Pan American Airways, has asked eight American manufacturers to submit bids before March 15 on airplanes capable of carrying 100 passengers 5,000 miles non-stop at a cruising speed of 200 miles an hour.

The aircraft sought will have dining rooms, single and double staterooms, hot and cold running water, electric galleys and all the conveniences of luxury travel. The cabins will be capable of being sealed so that pressures equivalent to an altitude of 8,000 feet can be maintained at levels of 20,000 feet and more, and flights can be made above the level of storm and turbulence where, in the thinner air, cruising speeds will rise to 290 miles an hour. The request for bids assumes on its face that such aircraft can now be supplied. It merely says that "further developments in the field of long-range ocean service indicate a need for aircraft representing increases in size, payload and cruising

speeds over those now in use or available." Already several of the manufacturers interrogated have given indication that they would bid. We are accustomed in America to rapid technical development. Witness the railroads and the automobile as well as the marvels of radio. But amazement will not dawn at the evidence of the well-nigh magic advance in the aerodynamic and correlated sciences which is indicated in this proposal.

It is evident that with the Yankee Clippers, as the huge new aircraft are to be called, the United States will be in a position to maintain that leadership in the air which has characterized it during the decade. With their range and speed they will be able to link New York with any capital in Europe without intermediate stops in less than a day and night. And by reason of the same qualities will at once cut all entangling alliances as to reciprocal landing rights and allow American operators to stand squarely upon their own feet. This specification for aircraft, despite, indeed because of, its matter-of-fact character, is an outstanding example of that quality of romance in business which now and again illumines the American scene.

"And this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come. Matt. 24:14



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THE end of the old and the beginning of a new year is a good time to pause and balance accounts, to determine the direction in which we are going. Most of us will answer this question in terms of material possessions, neglecting more important matters of the spirit. Both, however, are relatively as important as are our present attitudes, hopes and inspirations.

First, we might ask have we a better country than we had a year ago? What things in the history of that period shall we mark up to gain and what to lose? No one can make a complete catalog, so we restrict ourselves to mentioning a few.

We have had some great calamities, among which was the disastrous flood in the valley of the Ohio, resulting in much human suffering, great loss of property and life. On the credit side is the fact that due to measures taken some years ago the levees of the Mississippi held and the great dams on the Tennessee impounded water that would have brought devastation to the lower reaches of that great river. Also on the credit side is to be scored up the generous response to the call for aid by people in every part of our country.

A report from Chicago says that the farmers of the country have had more bountiful crops and have received more money for them than for any other year in the past decade. The latter part of the statement does not apply in one particular to the South. It has, indeed, made good feed crops, as a whole, and the largest crop of cotton in all time, but the price fell so low that much cotton was produced at a loss.

Mayor LaGuardia, of New York City, and others estimate that there are 10,000,000 unemployed in the United States, but, on the other hand, due to generosity of individuals, fraternal organizations, churches, and the government—local, State, and national—most every one has been clothed and fed.

Few of the old industries have expanded, few new ones established; several hundred thousand dwellings are needed for the proper housing and sheltering of our people. On the credit side we must score up the fact that measures have already been initiated to bring the resources of the government, corporations and individuals into harmonious co-operation for the solution of this problem.

Spiritually there is evidence that our people are in a bad frame of mind. We have never read so much vituperation and caustic criticism as during the past year. Yet we rarely find that spirit in those we meet face to face. Another spiritual gain is indicated by the reports of various churches that their accessions have been larger than during any preceding year.

When we come to relations of the countries of the world each to the other the picture darkens. The terrible civil war still rages in Spain, abetted by Italy and Germany. Japan is still pursuing her war of conquest in China, slaughtering by bombs and machine guns many women and children and other non-combatants. Italy, Germany and Japan have formed an "anti-Communist" pact, generally considered aimed at all the non-Fascist countries in the world. The race for big armaments goes grimly on, even the democratic countries arming against anticipated attacks. Democracies, including munition makers in the United States, are selling arms, munitions, ships and airplanes to all countries able to buy them, whether Fascist, Communist or otherwise.

But there has been peace in North and South America, and the near threat of a general European war averted. Russia has announced that while ready and able to repel invasion, she entertains no thought of attacking any other nation. It should also be remembered that the great masses of people throughout the world covet peace not war. May this inherent love for peace eventually lead to abolishment of all wars.

## The Gridiron Dinner

The Gridiron Club is composed of Washington correspondents of the great dailies. This club has an annual banquet, held this year on Saturday, December 11th. It ran true to form. There was much fun at the expense of great dignitaries, including the President, justices of the Supreme Court, cabinet officers, senators, congressmen, ambassadors, Wall Street financiers, labor leaders and others who attended the banquet to laugh or to be laughed at.

Mr. Cleveland, when President, did not accept the Gridiron Club invitation, saying, "I do not think I would fit in with the fun you boys would have with me." No other President has sent his regrets. The club always gives the President a public kidding but, on the other hand, he has the opportunity of addressing "the most distinguished audience in America."

Only in America is such an event possible. We wonder what would happen to a newspaper man in Brazil who dared to razz President Vargas, who has lately assumed dictatorial power, or even to one at a banquet in London who would dare twit His Imperial Majesty, George VI, about any matter whatever? Mussolini, Hitler, or Stalin would certainly stand up against a wall and shoot any newspaper man who poked fun at them publicly.

It is good to know that we live in a country where freedom of speech and of press is so generally recognized, where we can have fun at the expense of a Chief Justice or a President and they will enter good-naturedly into the spirit of the occasion.

## Libraries

Two out of three of our people have no access to free public libraries, it is reported. The need of greater library facilities, especially for people in small towns and communities, is being properly stressed by those who recognize the value of books. How best and most

wisely to supply that need should receive our thoughtful consideration.

At present we have adequate public libraries in most cities. Under the sponsorship of the State Department of Education, the county schools of many of our countries have centralized libraries, usually kept in the office of the county superintendent or in another room of the court house, whence books are distributed to the schools by auto or by a library truck. High schools in Texas that are members of the Southern Association, and those in Oklahoma that are members of the North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools, are required to have good libraries, with adequate rooms, shelving, tables, chairs, and administered by trained librarians. Nearly every county in these two States has one such school; many counties have several.

In the solution of our library problem this fact should be kept in mind: If we are to have duplication of libraries, it will mean added expense and poorer service.

It would be economical to extend the facilities of the school libraries to adults as is now done in Delta, Hunt, Van Zandt, and probably other counties in Texas. Many of the books would be used by both pupils and adults—especially reference books, which are costly. The needs of both groups should, and would, be kept in mind in selecting books and periodicals.

One great advantage is that it would make every school a community center, a general meeting place, which teachers and Parent-Teacher organizations have been sponsoring for many years. In this way cultural centers, available to the whole community, could be greatly multiplied, a consummation devoutly to be wished.

## Youth and Crime

The Houston Post had an editorial on the report recently released by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, showing that more than one-half of the 400,000 arrests made during the first nine months of this year in the United States were of persons under 30 years of age, the largest number of persons in any one group being 22 years of age.

The Post asks certain pertinent and searching questions:

"Is bad environment responsible? Are social evils such as broken homes, divorces and sub-standard living conditions factors in the huge annual loss of youthful strength, vigor and brains? Is the church failing in its obligations? Or has the degeneration of the American home cast too many promising youngsters adrift?"

Probably strong arguments could be made to show that every one of the things mentioned has been a contributing factor to the delinquency of youth. While these causes may have been more potent in the past few years, we have had them with us for a long time. They can hardly be held accountable for all the causes and the increase in youthful crime.

## The Newspapers

There is no reason why Americans should not keep well informed. We have in the United States 2,167 daily newspapers and 10,805 weekly newspapers, to say nothing of monthly periodicals dealing with subject matter of more or less general interest.

It is not to be questioned that our dailies are rendering a great service in publishing fresh news items from every part of the world; they also render a distinct service in stating their views on current social, economic and political questions in their editorial columns.

As educational and cultural agencies, the contributions of daily newspapers to American life are many but, while appraising their worth, we should not lose sight of the fact that the weekly newspapers are doing even more for the education, the civic, and the social betterment of our people. These weeklies, published in comparatively small towns, have thousands of urban and rural readers who subscribe for and read no other newspaper. Hence they also render a great and distinctive service.

They keep the whole community informed about what is going on in the town and the county—socially, industrially, politically—making it possible for people to know each other better,

to take more pride in their community, to be better neighbors, and to know how men who they have entrusted with offices are serving them.

Advertisements in weekly newspapers are frequently of great service to their readers. For example, a farmer who had broken a plow point of a certain make was complaining that his work would have to stop until he could go to the city to get another one. His boy, standing nearby, said: "Why, pa, you don't have to go to the city. I was just reading the ad of a hardware company in our weekly paper telling that they now had stocked that particular kind of plow point. I will run to town and have one back here in a few minutes."

Many subscribers of daily newspapers omit reading their editorials, but not so readers of weekly newspapers. They read every word. And these editorials are usually worthy of perusal and study. They point out in clear language the significance of what is going on, unaffected by prejudice or ulterior motives. A few years ago I wrote to the editor of a weekly newspaper that his editorials on certain phases of the depression were as good, and couched in as vigorous language, as I had found on the editorial page of the New York Times. Only last week I read in my county paper—I always take one—another editorial that would grace the columns of any of our great dailies. While it is to be regretted that all weekly editors do not maintain editorial columns, yet it is a fine thing for America that so many of them do, in which they express themselves forcibly, fearlessly on many questions of vital importance. Everyone, whether living in city or country, should read at least one weekly newspaper.

## Medical Advances in 1937

Few members of other professions work more diligently to equip themselves with knowledge of value to their clients as do physicians. In the first place, the medical student is expected to spend many years in a college of medicine and as an interne in a hospital before he may practice. It is perhaps not generally known that a pupil's work both in college and high school must be of high character if he is admitted to a medical college of the first class.

Every good doctor is a student; he attends clinics to acquire the latest knowledge and skill; he reads medical journals; he studies his own cases.

These things have brought results of lasting benefit. In 1937, especially, has medical science taken several important forward steps which promise much for alleviation of human suffering and prolongation of human life.

Among these things are the discovery of the virus of measles, making possible the production of an anti-toxin for vaccination to give a child immunity from this disease; the discovery of a serum, by which tuberculosis may be cured or its development prevented; a better method of combating pneumonia that will reduce fatalities from this disease.

Physicians know there are other diseases to conquer. They know the common cold, infantile paralysis and cancer still challenge them. A doctor who knew how to heal all forms of eczema would have his name enrolled among famous men. It is interesting that our physicians continue to study these and other human ills in an effort to find cures. It is not too much to hope that during 1938 they will make further discoveries that will cure, or at least, relieve some of the more deadly diseases now afflicting humanity.

## The Red Cross

During late years and for a long series of years in the past, the American Red Cross has been speedily on the job following any disaster with its ministrations of helpfulness to sufferers.

Miss Clara Barton established the American Red Cross in 1881; it is a part of an organization that has branches in every Christian country. The International Red Cross was founded in 1864 by Henri Dunant at Geneva. Its purpose was to alleviate the suffering of the wounded in war time.

After our American Civil War, Clara Barton, who had overtaxed her strength in deeds of mercy to the soldiers of the Union armies, went to Europe to recuperate. Before she could return to America, the Franco-Prussia War was raging. She ministered to the wounded on both sides.

Our government had some objections to an international organization, fearing it might conflict with certain parts of the Monroe Doctrine. These fears were removed and the American Red Cross was then formed with Miss Barton as its first president.

The scope of the work was broadened so as to include all sufferers from whatever cause. So well has the work been done that our citizens have always contributed freely to it.

# Grass Root Reveries

By JOE GANDY

Winneshoro, Texas.

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FEW of the younger folks will make New Year resolutions, but most of the older folks will do no particular resolutin'. A neighbor made a resolution last New Year to quit chewing tobacco. The longer he went without a chew the grouzier he got. Finally his wife, who had become fed up on his grouchiness, said: "John, here's that plug of tobacco you put away when you swore off chewing. Either go back chewing or I get a divorce." Needless to say John went back chewing.

Persons who were envious because the rich enjoyed air-conditioning homes last summer can now laugh at the rich. The first fall northern air-conditioned all their homes without cost.

Up in the New England States they have had trouble with some of their "blue laws." Texas has no trouble about the color of its laws, but does have trouble getting them enforced.

There is a law in an Arizona town that forbids men to appear on the street without pants on. And some of the beach resorts forbid men to appear without shirts on. So it looks like men must keep clothed and in their right minds. However, with no similar restrictions for women, men may keep clothed but their minds will wander.

A lady acquaintance who dislikes dogs gave her husband's hound-dog a dose of strychnine. Too tender-hearted to see the dog die, she left home to visit a

neighbor. The dog didn't die because the lady, overzealous to end the poor brute's life, administered an overdose of the poison. When she returned home next day the dog ran out to meet her, wagging a friendly tail. Dogs to some folks are just dogs but, as a rule, they are faithful creatures and show less ingratitude than men or women.



"The dog ran out to meet her, wagging its friendly tail."

There is consolation if you travel the straight and narrow way—you are likely not to be bothered with hitch-hikers thumbing a ride.

A psychologist predicts that eventually people will live to be a thousand years old. Who wants to live to be a thousand years old? It's bad enough to live to three score and ten and have to listen to next-door neighbors' radios, loud-tootin' auto horns and wrong number telephone calls.

Some scientists claim men sprang from monkeys. The way men act sometimes would make you think that monkeys sprang from men.

New York City's 1937 budget is five hundred and sixty-two millions, nine hundred and ninety-eight thousand, nine hundred and seventeen dollars and ten cents. What is the dime for? We imagined in places like New York and Washington, D. C., they counted money from a million up—not knowing what a dime looked like.

Some of the world's history, now in the making, reminds me of smut from an old chimney. I feel sorry for future

generations who will have to read this history.

Ten of the world's most valuable trees have been listed, which include the rubber and several fruit trees. The world could not get along very well without rubber and fruit. The oldest trees in history are fruit and one of them dates back to the Garden of Eden, where, once upon a time, it made sensational front page reading.

The gold cure is said to be effective in treatment of tuberculosis, but greenbacks might hold the disease in check until the doctor arrived.

The larynx is the chief organ of speech, but when gossipers get going in a community the tongue does most of the work.

Now is the winter of our discontent made glorious by this sun of Texas—which is not exactly what Shakespeare said, but misses it by an eye-lash. A Texan who travels extensively over the United States told me that Texas had the best all-the-year-round climate of any State in the union. I have always known that Texas had the best people of any State, but now, that she has the best climate, swells my pride up to the bustin' point.

They say taxes fall heaviest on the very rich and the very poor. Maybe so, but I have seen taxes fall with a dull sickening thud on the middle class.

A psychologist says: Men use only one-fifth of their mental capacity. Maybe that is why we are nearly \$40,000,000,000 in the red. If the psychologist is right, and we ever get out of this mess, some fellows will have to bring the other four-fifths of their mentality into action.

This is a pretty good world, even if it does have lumps that are hard to iron out. I can remember as a boy lumps that our pas and mas tried to iron out. Looking ahead, I can see hard lumps—plenty of them—but if we keep our heads, have faith in ourselves and think clearly we'll come through all right.

## FRITZI RITZ

## Seeing Is Believing

## By Ernie Bushmiller





# BRIEF TEXAS NEWS---from Over the State

## OLD TRAIL-BLAZER DIES

John Zach Means, 83, one of the pioneer cattlemen who blazed cow trails into the Davis mountain section of the Big Bend country, died at an El Paso hospital from pneumonia.

## ANOTHER MEAN THIEF

The meanest thief in the Rio Grande alley, says the McAllen Press, was the miscreant who entered the home of F. Polzin, of McAllen, and stole his glass eye.

## NEW BY-PRODUCT INDUSTRY

Canning of vegetable juices is another new by-product industry that has been started in the Rio Grande Valley. The \$20,000 plant will extract and can juices of beets, carrots, garlic and onions.

## OFFICIATES AT 999 WEDDINGS

Rev. S. M. Roberts, 72, minister of Denison, has "kept books" on his matrimonial officiations and recently said he had married 999 couples. He has been a Methodist minister in Texas for 52 years.

## MASONIC GAVEL USED BY SAM HOUSTON

A gavel, used by General Sam Houston to assemble the Masonic Grand Lodge of Texas at Houston in 1836, was used to open the Grand Lodge of Texas A. F. and A. M., at Waco in December.

## STEALS PURSE OF WORSHIPPER

Miss Ludie Larive, of Beaumont, thinks the "meanest man alive" is he who stole her purse, containing \$1.25 and keys, while she knelt in prayer in the St. Anthony Catholic Church.

## ROMANCE SAME—TRANSPORTATION ONLY DIFFERENCE

Sixty years ago cowboys would ride horseback 30 miles to attend a dance. Recently six J. A. Ranch cowboys drove autos 340 miles to bring their "dates" to a dance at ranch headquarters.

## RIDES THE OLD-FASHIONED WAY

New models or gadgets fail to impress Hugh Brown, age 81, of Clarendon. He owns two horse-driven vehicles, is a good driver and takes his friends for a ride in the good old-fashioned horse and buggy way.

## MOUSE KILLS SNAKE

Marshall Messenger: "For eight hours recently a two-inch mouse and a foot-long snake battled desperately. The mouse finally won—the snake expiring with the mouse's fangs buried deep in his neck. The fight occurred in the zoology laboratory of Kilgore College."

## U. OF T. MONTHLY INCOME FROM OIL

For the year of 1937 an audit shows that University of Texas income from oil royalties, bonus and rentals amounted to \$202,700 monthly. Total yearly royalties produced \$769,664 and bonus and rentals \$889,901.

## MASONS CONFER 50-YEAR SERVICE MEDAL

R. S. Marsh, 88, the dean of Palestine Masons and a Master Mason for 61 years, was presented a gold 50-year service medal by Grand Master Gallo-way Calhoun in a special session of the Grand Lodge of Texas at Waco.

## NEVER WORE A HAT

Lufkin News: "Mrs. Maggie Ingram, 87, pioneer woman of Lytton Springs, (Caldwell county) who has had a lifetime preference for bonnets of the old-fashioned kind that shade the face and tie beneath the chin, called 'sun-bonnets,' confided on her birthday recently that she had never worn a hat."

## CONFEDERATE PENSION PAYMENTS MAY EXTEND TO 1965

State officials estimate that Confederate pension payments will extend to 1965. There are still five widows who draw pensions for the Texas War of Independence, ended April, 1836. One of these pensioners, the youngest, now 70, married a participant in the war of 1836 when he was 70 and she was 14.

## ADDS 15,112 PRODUCING OIL WELLS

Texas added 15,112 producing oil wells to its list during the year 1937, according to figures compiled by the Texas Railroad Commission at Austin.

Drilling permits on new wells totaling 17,684 were approved by the railroad commission during the year. Only 2400 applications had been filed to plug, indicating that many abandonments.

At the close of the year Texas numbered 82,000, producing oil wells. On January 1 of 1937 the total was 68,216 oil producers exclusive of gas-wells.

## VALUE OF PRINCIPAL TEXAS CROPS

The estimated 1937 value of Texas' principal crops is \$460,983,000, 15.3 per cent above 1936.

## GOES IN DITCH TO ESCAPE

Albert B. Hill, of Corpus Christi, who was awarded a medal as the "world's safest truck driver," has driven trucks approximately 1,400,000 miles without an accident. "I've taken to the ditch many a time to keep from getting hit," Hill said.

## 67 STUDENTS FROM FOREIGN COUNTRIES

Foreign countries are well represented among students attending University of Texas. Three are from Turkey, three from Philippine Islands, one from Japan, several from Canada and 41 from Mexico. A total of 67 foreign students are in attendance.

## BOIS D'ARC POSTS, 53 YEARS OLD, WELL PRESERVED

Bois d'arc posts that were used in building a fence around the Sugg ranch, near San Angelo, 53 years ago, were found to be well preserved when the old fence was torn down recently. Bois d'arc timber has just about disappeared from the river and creek bottoms of Texas. It was the only wood in the Southwest that defied time and decay.

## HER SMOKED TURKEY IN GREAT DEMAND

Mrs. Rose Diamond, 304 Henderson Street, Fort Worth, has won fame with her smoked turkeys. The demand was far in excess of what she could turn out during the last Christmas holidays. Orders came to her from as far away as Hollywood, Calif., Miami, Florida and New York City at \$1.00 per pound. Wrapped in cellophane, the birds are shipped ready to slice and serve. Mrs. Diamond has her own formula for the curing solution in which the turkeys are kept from 10 to 14 days before they are smoked. A brick oven, built in her backyard, is used in the process of smoking, which requires from 20 to 24 hours. Epicureans say that properly smoked turkey is a rare delicacy.

## HAS USED SILVER HAIR-PINS 40 YEARS

San Antonio Light: "Born and reared in the house in which she now lives, at 236 Blum Street, San Antonio, Mrs. J. B. Robb, age 63, is still wearing the same six solid silver hairpins that were given her as a Christmas gift 40 years ago. Furthermore, Mrs. Robb has not been downtown in 9 years. She does her shopping by telephone."

## NOT SO DUMB

Bobby Johnston, of Houston, 17-year-old high school student, can neither hear nor speak, yet he is a good basket-ball player, expert diver and swimmer, mechanic and artist, and his scholastic high school standing is "A."

## KILLS BEAR THAT STOLE APPLES

The McAllen Monitor reports the killing of a 400-pound bear by A. Medley, in the mountains on D. G. Wood ranch, near Exeter. The thieving bear had been making nightly raids on Wood's apple orchard.

## BARKING DOG SAVES TWO FAMILIES

An alarm given by a dog barking enabled two sleeping families to escape with their lives, but little else, from a home in San Antonio which was completely destroyed by fire.

## TEXAS MEMORIAL MUSEUM DEDICATED

Texas' half million-dollar Memorial Museum, newest addition to the University of Texas, was dedicated December 19th, at Austin, by a ceremony in which officials of the University, State American Legion and government officials took part.

## KILLS WHITE SQUIRREL

Sherman Democrat: "A white squirrel, rare in this section, was killed near Gordonville, by Miss Mary Breedlove, 506 Orange Street, Sherman. A taxidermist has mounted the squirrel."

## 2,000,000 POUNDS OF 'JUNK BONES'

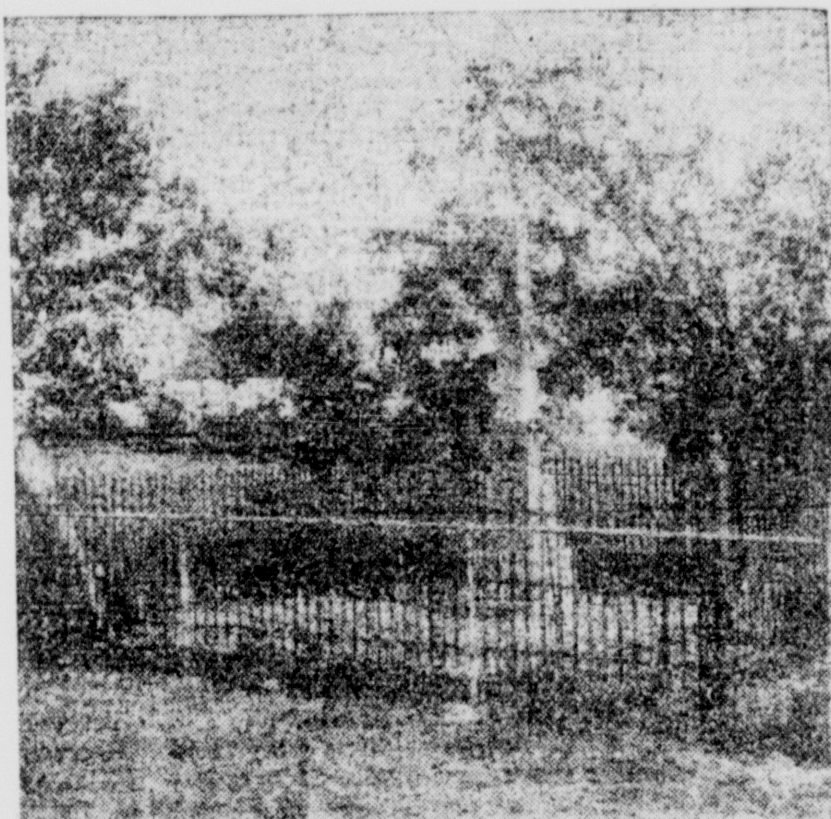
Two million pounds of "junk bones"—skeletons of cattle from the drought-stricken areas of Mexico—have been shipped through El Paso since January 1st to Eastern markets where the product is used for fertilizer and chemicals.

## MADE-TO-MEASURE OVERALLS NECESSARY

Ben Smith, 420-pound negro, of Commerce, Hunt county, must buy overalls to order, as no store in the county has an overall big enough to fit him. Recently he ordered two pairs of overalls (factory-made) that required 7 yards of cloth to each overall. His measurements are: waist 70, length 34.

## OWNS 1802 HALF-CENT COIN

Waco News: "Deputy Assessor-Collector Lee Vaughn Williams, of Waco, has among his cherished collections one half-penny for which he paid 35 cents. He says it's not for sale now, because it is about the oldest money he knows of. The coin was made in 1802. Though only half as valuable, the piece of old money is twice the size and has twice the copper of a modern penny."



WHERE TEXAS' DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE WAS SIGNED

The Republic of Texas was born in an unfinished blacksmith shop on March 2, 1836, at Washington-on-the-Brazos. Texas at that time was only sparsely settled and the town of Washington-on-the-Brazos, though not yet an important commercial center, was strategically located for political purposes. It was here, during a bitterly cold winter, that a group of 58 men gathered to draw up the Texas Declaration of Independence. The unfinished blacksmith shop, only available meeting place, was destined by fate to become Texas' "Independence Hall." Delegates gathered around a long table and, after hanging cloth across the window and door openings to keep out the wintry blasts, worked all night on the document that was to make Texas a free nation. The old blacksmith shop, owned by N. Y. Byars, has long since been destroyed but the spot where it stood is marked by a granite shaft (photo above) erected by the school children of Washington county.

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## GAS TAX RECEIPTS INCREASE

Comptroller George H. Sheppard said Texas' gasoline tax collections in September, October and November, 1937, aggregated \$12,660,686, a gain of \$1,138,742, or 9.88 per cent over the \$11,521,944 collected in the three corresponding months of 1936.

## GENSING FARM

About the oddest farm in Texas is a gensing farm, near Lubbock, operated by Mrs. Carolyn B. Alder. Since September 1st, 1937, Mrs. Alder has shipped \$6,000 worth of gensing, a bulb plant, used for medicinal purposes. Mrs. Alder planted her first seed in 1929. It takes from four to five years for the crop to mature.

## OIL PIPE LINE TAX VALUATIONS

The 1937 intangible valuations of oil pipe lines for tax purposes in Texas total \$54,450,697, compared to \$52,303,500 last year. Companies with the largest assessed values are: Humble, \$10,487,460; Sinclair, \$7,290,620; Texas, \$6,503,000; Texas-Empire, \$2,861,110; Magnolia, \$5,500,000; Atlantic, \$5,000,000; Shell, \$4,661,355; Gulf, \$3,163,260; Pure, \$2,694,015.

## DENTAL OFFICE ON WHEELS

Dr. C. C. Chandler, San Antonio dentist, has a dental office in a trailer which he uses when calling on rural patients. The trailer has running water, two electric voltage connections and a complete dental laboratory.

## MOTHER OF 18 CHILDREN

Mrs. T. F. Moore, of Wilson, gave birth to her eighteenth child in a West Texas hospital; 16 of the 18 are living. Mr. Moore operates two farms near Wilson. Mrs. Moore advised against "any person with a large family living in the city."

## A REAL HUSKY

Stories of 1-year-old husky babies are going the rounds of the press throughout the country, but Robert Allen, age 1, son of Mrs. Florenz Allen, 1821 North Haskell Avenue, Dallas, is runner up for prize winner. He weighs 30 pounds, has gained 14 3/4 pounds since birth and has 18 teeth.

## PROLIFIC POLAND CHINA SOW

Linden Sun: "Mr. W. T. Hammock, of Red Hill, (Castro county), has a fine Poland China sow that brought 35 pigs in 11 months and 7 days. Besides furnishing meat and lard for a family of four, Mr. Hammock sold \$32.60 worth of pigs and still has five left that he plans killing in late winter."

## OLDEST STANDING CHURCH

"The oldest standing church building in Texas—with the exception of the Catholic missions—is St. David's Episcopal church, corner of San Jacinto and Seventh Streets, Austin," says the Austin American.

"Now the home of one of Austin's leading congregations, St. David's, then the Church of the Epiphany, was started in 1851. The structure has been added to and rebuilt several times, but the original foundations remain."

## MARRIED 71 YEARS

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Jackson, of Salty community, Milam county, are among the oldest married couples in Texas, says a press dispatch. They have 12 living children, 72 grandchildren and 95 great grandchildren. Mr. Jackson, an ex-Confederate soldier, surrendered with Robert E. Lee to the Federal forces at Appomattox court house, Virginia, April 9, 1865.

## WOMAN LICENSED TO DRIVE TRUCK

Drivers License Bureau of the Department of Public Safety, at Fort Worth, issued a permit to drive a 7-000-pound truck to Mrs. Ed. Nesser, 616 North Frey Street, Fort Worth. It was the first license issued in Fort Worth permitting a woman to drive a vehicle weighing 6000 pounds or more.

## PRIEST COMPLETES 12-INCH TELESCOPE

Father Smith, of Karnes City, (Karnes county), with help of local mechanics, has completed a 12-inch telescope which he will use for the observation and study of suns, stars and planets.

## "HUNGRY HILL" WANTS NEW NAME

Prosperity must have come back to "Hungry Hill," the name of a depression-founded street in Austin, for its residents have petitioned their city councilmen for a better street name.

## SAN JACINTO SHAFT TO HAVE 8 HISTORY PANELS

The towering San Jacinto Memorial Shaft, now nearing completion on San Jacinto battlefield, near Houston, will be 564 feet high and will have 8 panels that will tell in a 60-word graphic description the history of the Texas Revolution, says L. W. Kemp, chairman of the Historical Advisory Board of the Texas Centennial Commission.

## WORLD'S LARGEST OIL FIELD

The East Texas field, with its 23,000 wells, centering at Kilgore, which have a daily allowable of 480,154 barrels, continues to be the world's largest single oil producing area.

## KILLS WHITE HAWK

Collectors of rare birds should not overlook a pure white hawk killed by Oscar Koenig, of Devine. The bird, mounted by an expert taxidermist, has a wing-spread of 4 feet.

## DALLAS COUNTY HAS 6293 ILLITERATES

Dallas county, despite its many urban and rural schools, libraries, daily and weekly newspapers, has 6293 illiterates according to educational estimates. Webster defines an illiterate as a person who is "untaught, unlearned, unlettered, uneducated."

## FREE TO BLIND TEXANS

The American Federation for the Blind announces that any blind resident of Texas can now obtain book discs (phonograph records) and an electric reading machine (phonograph) by writing the State Commission for the Blind at Austin. The machines are loaned for an indefinite period as are also the "talking books," without cost, to blind persons only.

## CONSCIENCE-STRICKEN THIEF RETURNS LOOT

A purse containing \$28 in cash was stolen from a room occupied by H. D. Redwine, 1417 N. Haskell Avenue, Dallas. A few days later a messenger boy delivered a package to Redwine. Opening the package, he saw intact his purse and \$28. A brief note note, enclosed and unsigned, read: "I just couldn't take it."

## NEW LONDON SCHOOL MEMORIAL FUND COMPLETED

The \$15,000 to be raised for erection of a memorial on the New London school site in honor of the 294 pupils killed there by an explosion March, 1937, has been completed. Plans for erecting the monument will now proceed with the least possible delay. Many contributions were received from outside States and foreign countries.

## ONE-FAMILY ORCHESTRA

In McAllen, (Hidalgo county), is a one-family orchestra composed of mother, Mrs. Porfirio Guerra, and her six children who range in age from 4 to 12 years. All the children play some kind of musical instrument and the mother, an accomplished musician, is instructor. They played to large audiences at Harlingen during the Valley Mid-Winter Fair.

## EXPLORING BOTTOMS OF BAY FOR OIL

A fleet of six boats belonging to the Geophysical Research Corporations, a direct subsidiary of the Amerada Petroleum Company, of Tulsa, Oklahoma, with a crew of 26 men is stationed at Galveston to carry on a geophysical survey in Galveston Bay and nearby waters by sounding for oil.

## CLIFF DWELLERS LIVED IN BIG BEND

Preliminary excavations by the National Park Service in the Big Bend area of Southwest Texas reveal that cliff-dwelling Indians lived there from early times down to the 14th century, according to Erik K. Reed, assistant archaeologist of the National Park Service. Specimens of their work included sandals, matting, wooden implements and basketry. For defensive purposes they first used the dart and later the bow and arrow.

## ONE MAN ANSWERED AD OFFERING 406 JOBS

Houston Post, December 14: "After learning from the unemployed census reports that there were 406 unemployed persons in Madison county, Texas, H. Luther Hensarling, Madison county master farmer, inserted the following advertisement in a Madisonville paper:

"To the 406 Unemployed: I offer work clearing land. See me or bring your ax without further notice."

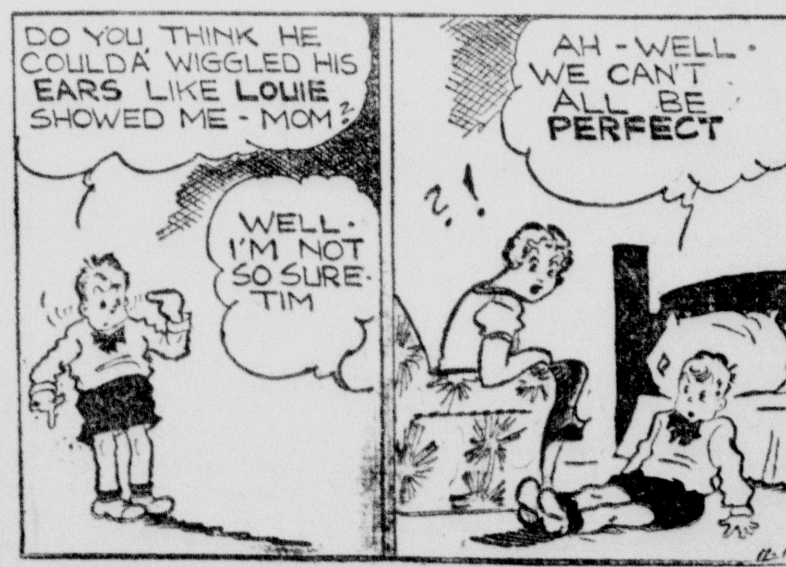
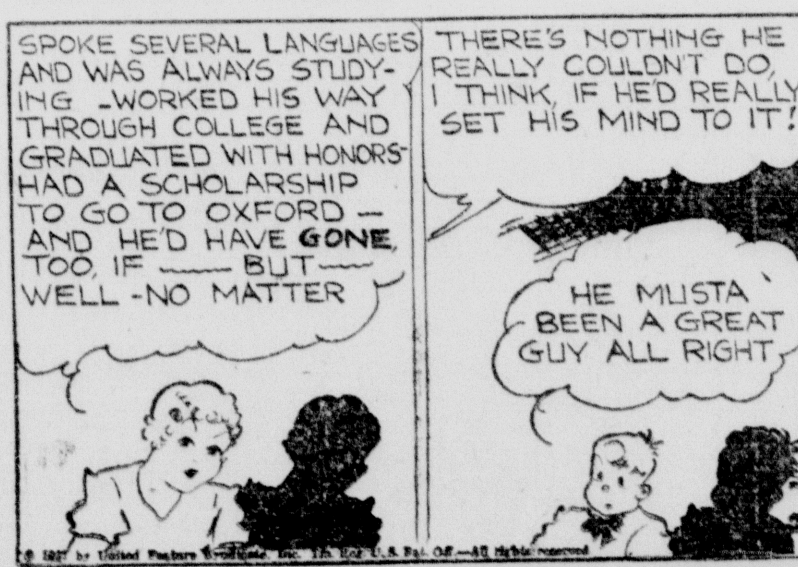
"To date one man only has applied for a job," Mr. Hensarling said.

By Bernard Dibble

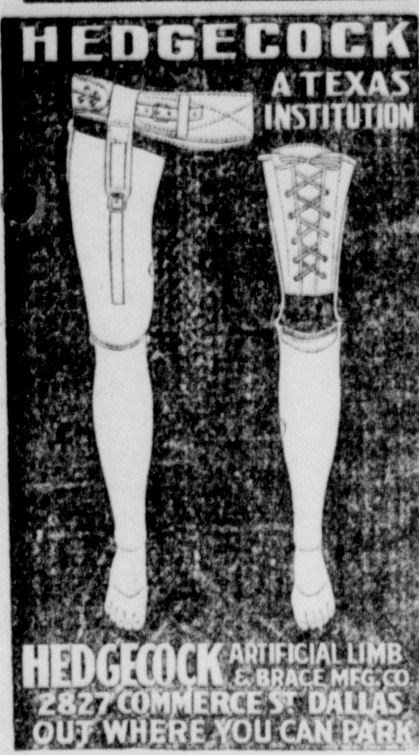
## LOOY DOT DOPE



## The Heel of Achilles







### SHARKS FOR PROFIT

Now Germany is going after sharks. Not long ago, it was told how Japan was using shark oil in airplane motors. Germany has that in mind, also, but is going further. She will use the skin and meat.

In recent years, several companies have found shark-catching very profitable. The liver of a 6-footer yields 4 gallons of oil which is used in tempering steel, making paint. Shark skin can be converted into a fine leather called "galuchat" which makes shoes, gloves, bags. The meat is wholesome, though not widely eaten.

The shark catchers generally use huge nets. The big fish are hauled up alive, batted over the head. It isn't as simple as it sounds, however. A shark's durability is amazing. It may seem to be dead when only stunned. A shark lying in the bottom of a boat for hours has been known to come to suddenly, and knock a man overboard with its thrashing tail.

### ESKIMO ENEMY

Around Point Barrow, Alaska, the Eskimos once nearly exterminated the musk oxen. Then the Government brought more and the latter now threaten to exterminate the Eskimos.

The shaggy, half-sheep, half-oxen are coming right in villages, and woe to man or dog that gets in the way of that battering-ram head. The Eskimos have sent a hurry-up call for wire to string around towns.

If it weren't for the musk ox's recently acquired habit of wrecking villages, Eskimos would be glad to have the animal around. It is good food, despite its musky scent which keeps wolves away.

About 5 feet high at the shoulders, musk oxen gather in herds of about 30, feed off grass in summer, off lichens—moss-like plants on rocks and trees—in winter. When in danger of attack they form a circle, calves and cows in the center, bulls on the outside, horns facing the enemy.

### NEW KIND OF MONEY

The new money system of New Guinea is full of holes. It has to be. Natives working in the gold fields don't wear pants, thus have no pockets in which to put their money. So they're paid in silver coins with holes in them. The coins are carried on a string around their necks.

### BUSINESS COLLEGES

WHITE Metropolitan Business College, Dallas, Texas, for interesting literature on business courses.

### SONG POEMS WANTED

WANTED original poems, songs for immediate consideration. Send poems to Columbian Music Publishers, Ltd., Dept. 103, Toronto, Canada.

### WANTED

WANTED—Nationally known collector wants to hear from readers having old envelopes, stamps used before 1880. Valuable advice free. Address Collector, 2052 Ashbury Ave., Evanston, Ill.

### POULTRY AND EGGS

Official record book in Dixie chicks. Matings include 232 to 300 egg record R. O. P. males, at large scale production low prices. Sexed, if desired. Catalog free. Dixie Poultry Farms, Box 100-A, Brenham, Tex.

### MACHINERY

J. B. HAMMER MILLS new and rebuilt. MILL Repair Motors, Mixers, Belting, R. A. LESTER, 327 E. Grand, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

WELL MACHINERY AND TOOLS. FORT WORTH SPINDERS. SAVER ENGINES and HAMMER MILLS. Saws, Windmills—Pump Jacks—Pipe. Cylinders—Tanks—Belts—Hoses—Cables—Ropes. Mill-Gin and Water Works Supplies. Heavy Hardware. WELL MACHINERY & SUPPLY CO. Fort Worth, Texas.

### A DEADLY SEA SNAKE

At last, a real sea serpent has been caught! But don't get excited. It's no 25-foot, tremendous, horse-headed monster. It's a 2-foot yellow-bellied sea snake hauled from the Bay of Panama and sent to New York's Aquarium, the first specimen seen there in 12 years.

Though the yellow-bellied sea snake may not be ferocious-looking, it is nothing to get gay with. A member of the dreaded cobra clan, it is among the most deadly of poisonous reptiles. In captivity it is particularly dangerous, becoming sullen and striking at everyone.

It is the only poisonous sea snake found in the waters around America, although there are 49 other species just as deadly, elsewhere.

As the snake indicates, this slender snake is a brilliant yellow underneath, though its top side is black. It has no gills, must come to the surface to breathe. It is sometimes caught in fishing nets—much to fishermen's dismay and peril.

### BLOOD ADS

Russia wants more blood—for transfusions. Its institute of Blood Transfusions has started advertising for donors. Why? To build up a permanent staff of blood-givers for wartime.

In Russia, the method of storing blood for future use has reached its greatest development. Blood stored for 30 days has been successfully used, although that two weeks old is generally most effective.

In the past, most of the blood has been gotten by draining it from corpses immediately after death or by calling for volunteers. But now persons answering the ads will be paid.

In this country, most hospitals keep lists of possible blood donors, pay them about \$35 a pint. A man can sacrifice a pint of blood and hardly miss it. Two days later his blood count is normal. However, though his diet is carefully regulated, he is seldom allowed to contribute blood again for a period of about six weeks.

### VOTING BY THUMB

Fingerprints, or more properly thumbprints, are going to untangle future election disputes in the Philippines. A new law requires voters to leave the imprints of their thumbs on ballots. This will make it easy to identify contested ballots.

Fingerprints, thumbprints, and footprints are all finding wide use these days and not merely in police departments, either. For several years some hospitals have been taking the footprints of newborn babies so they can be identified in case of a mix-up.

Several large insurance companies are requiring clients to be fingerprinted. This avoids possibility of fraud, and the United States Army, among other military forces, fingerprints its men so there will be no "unknown soldiers" in any future wars.

On several occasions Congress has been urged to make fingerprinting of all citizens compulsory. The argument is that this would make quick and more certain the identification of victims of big floods, fires, wrecks, and other disasters.

### SHARK OIL

Sharks are helping Japan wage war in China. That is, shark oil is lubricating Japanese war planes. Since Japan must import all her oil, war has made it necessary to develop new sources. Thus, the use of shark oil.

However, the Japanese are not alone in trying to find some uses for sharks. In India, the tough horny hide of sharks is used as sandpaper to polish metal and extremely hard woods. And the Chinese make a soup with shark fins.

Then, too, scientists are wondering if the digestive juices of sharks can be put to work. This strange fluid is so powerful it dissolves iron and has taken paint off ships' decks.

But if our Gospel be hid, it is hid to them that are lost. II Cor. 4:3.

## A LITTLE FUN Jokes to Make You Laugh

### Zoology

"What is a rabbit?"  
"A rabbit is a little animal that grows fur that other animals get credit for when mamma wears it."

### Spittoonism

Mrs. Newrich was fond of flowers, and especially liked the salvia, but was not very reliable in getting the names right. She was giving directions to her gardener. "On this side of the walk," she said, "I want you to put out some salivas. Now what would you suggest for the other side?"  
"Well, madame," answered the gardener, without cracking a smile, "maybe it would be a good idea to put some spittoonism there."

### Life in the Trailer

Nothing like life in a trailer these days. Just imagine how happy a couple can be on next to nothing.

There is the trailer wife who borrowed a cup of sugar in Maine, borrowed a cup of flour in New Hampshire, milked a cow in Vermont and baked a cake in Massachusetts.

Her husband ate the cake in New York, got indigestion in Pennsylvania and took bicarbonate of soda in Ohio.

"Doc, how much is this operation going to cost?"  
"Oh, about \$500."  
"Now, look, Doc. I don't want no fancy cuttin' and hemstitchin'. Just plain whittlin' and sewin'."

### True Army Form

The commanding officer of a certain regiment suddenly surprised his daughter and a young lieutenant trying to occupy the same chair. The lieutenant sprang to his feet and saluted.  
"Sir," he said, "I have the honor to report an engagement at close quarters, in which I have been entirely victorious. It now merely remains for you to give your sanction to the terms of surrender."

### Mickey's New Role

"Now, boys," said the teacher, "tell me the signs of the zodiac. You first, Thomas."  
"Taurus, the bull."  
"Right. Now you, Harold, another one."  
"Cancer, the crab."  
"Right again. And now it's your turn, Albert."  
The boy looked puzzled, hesitated a moment, and then blurted out: "Mickey, the mouse."

### Ample Provocation

A negro charged with hitting another negro on the head with a brick told the judge he did it because the other had called him a "black rascal."  
"Well, even if you are not a black rascal," replied the judge, "you are not justified in hitting this man with a brick for calling you one."  
"Maybe so, judge, but you all would feel lak t'wovin' a brick, too, if somebody call you dat name."  
"But I am not a black rascal."  
"Ah, know you ain't, judge, but s'posin' he called you what evah kind o' rascal you is?"

## POULTRY NEWS Handling Birds in Wintertime

### Cause of a Winter Molt

Flock owners oftentimes wonder why it is that layers about this time of year, or even a little later, may go into a molt. The usual cause of a molt out of season is the fact that the birds have lost body weight. This loss of flesh or weight may be a gradual process and the bird may have been drawing on her surplus flesh for several weeks in order to maintain production and her own condition. The point is reached, however, after a while, when she can no longer do this, and as the expression goes, "she goes to pieces." Production will not again come back until she has gained back her body weight and is again in good condition. That's why it's necessary during such a period to feed rather heavily on grain and at the same time a laying mash is kept before the birds and, if necessary, feed a moist fleshing mash in addition once or two as much as will be eaten in about 15 or 20 minutes.

### Turkey Roosts

Never use square of flat roosting poles for turkeys. Round poles are much better. Flat or square poles may cause hump foot, an infection of the foot, which, while it may not be fatal, is worse because of the way it bothers and pains the birds. The top parts of 2 by 4's should be rounded.

The biological makeup of the foot of birds is such that the toes naturally are so formed as to fit rounded roosting poles, as the limbs of trees, thus allowing them a tight hold, aided by their toenails, and a more comfortable position.

### Just the Opposite

"Did my wife speak at the Parent-Teachers' meeting last night? I wasn't there."  
"I'm not sure I know your wife. There was a rather tall lady who got up and said she couldn't find words to express herself."  
"That's not my wife."

### Weighing a Pig

"We don't need any of them new-fangled scales," said O'Hara. "There's an aisy way to weigh a pig without scales. You get a plank and put it across a stool. Then you get a big stone. Put the pig on one end of the plank and the stone on the other, and shift the plank until they balance. Then you guess the weight of the stone, and you have the weight of the pig."

"The process of thinking draws the blood from the feet to the head," an educator informs us. This explains, perhaps, why, in so many cases, if you think too much about a proposition you get cold feet.

### Followed Orders

The young and keen police officer was being shown his new night beat by the sergeant. "D'ye see that red light in the distance? Well, that is the limit of your beat. Now along with you."  
The young policeman set out, and was not seen again for a week. When he did show up at headquarters, the sergeant demanded furiously where he had been.  
"You remember that red light you pointed out to me?" said the cop.  
"Yes."  
"Well, that was a bus bound for Chicago."

### Help

A young man went to Australia against his father's wishes. In one letter home he wrote: "I have bought a car. First feather in my cap."  
In another he wrote: "I have bought a farm. Another feather in my cap."  
This went on for some time and always the son's letter finished with "another feather in my cap."  
Later, the father received a letter which ran: "Dear dad, I am broke. Please send passage home."  
The father replied: "Nothing doing. Take the feathers from your cap, stick them on your back, and fly home."

### Needed Co-operation

The yardmaster was interviewing an Irishman who had applied for a job as a motor bus driver.  
"Can you drive a car?" asked the yardmaster.  
"Can Oi drive a car?" repeated the Irishman disdainfully.  
"Well, suppose you run the bus into the shed."  
Pat climbed onto the bus. He looked around, grabbed the biggest lever and pulled it for all he was worth. Zip—she went into the shed. Pat saw trouble ahead, and guessing what would happen, reversed the lever. Out she went—then in again—out again—in again.  
Next time the bus darted in, Pat yelled: "Shut the door, d—n it, shut the door!"

### The Second Laying Year

If your birds are in their second laying year, they cannot be expected to do as well this year as they did last year. They will lay probably about 20 to 25% less eggs than they did in their first pullet year. If, however, they are from birds with good breeding for egg production back of them and if you handle them well, at far as feed and care is concerned, you should be able to get good results with them this year.

### The Wise Poultry Raiser

The wise poultry raiser will check up around New Year to see if any new equipment is needed in the pen either in the way of feed hoppers, drinking fountains, heaters for drinking fountains to keep water from freezing in severe weather, or any additional nests. Whatever additional equipment is needed should be obtained at once in order that the layers might have every opportunity to do their best and produce profitably.

### Bronchitis

Bronchitis may affect chickens of all ages but most frequently the adult stock. The symptoms are watery eyes, general slowness, coughing, sneezing, and gasping for air. When inhaling, a whistling sound may be made.

### WINS PRIZE AS COUNTRY CORRESPONDENT

As a boy in Scotland, Finlay Petrie always wanted to be a writer, preferably to be a police reporter for a newspaper. But his parents had a hard time making ends meet and he had to stop school, go to work as an apprentice to a house painter.

Has he regretted that? Not in the least for he got his chance to write and he learned enough about human nature during his years as a painter to make his writing interesting. Result? Finlay Petrie has won the Country Home Magazine's annual award for the best country correspondence. He sends news of Opal (Wyo.) folks to the Kemmer (Wyo.) Gazette.

To get to know Mr. Petrie, we've first got to drop the "lay" part of "Finlay." Everybody calls him plain "Fin." His real name has been forgotten, he says. After quitting school, he served his six years' apprenticeship in Scotland, then came to the United States.

That was in 1906. He plied his trade as a painter throughout the East and Middle West, gradually working West. In 1910 he landed in Opal, opened a general store.

It was two years later that he finally realized his ambition to write. "News during the winter months was extremely scarce," he says, "and I was approached by the Kemmer paper as to mailing a few weekly happenings."

That started him writing and Mr. Petrie has been at it ever since, picking up his news from people who come in the store, neighbors, out-of-town ranchers, tourists, railroad men, oil men. He writes news that will interest, as well as help those same people, tries to offend no one.

When he heard he'd won a prize for his weekly column, he thought it might be about \$25. It turned out to be first prize—\$200 and a trip to New York. He wasn't excited. "Naturally, I was a bit swelled up," he admits, "but that has subsided."

He isn't sure what was the biggest story he's ever handled. But two years ago, when a blizzard ripped through Opal, his report of it hit the front page of a Salt Lake City paper. So, in New York, he opined to reporters that he guessed that's what they call "big stuff."

A big man with graying hair, "Fin" Petrie is now 53 years old, got the biggest thrill on his trip to New York when he met President Roosevelt. He likes to read, counsels all youngsters to learn a building trade, regardless of what they do later. One can always fall back on the trade, he believes, if the future doesn't work out as planned.

### DIVER'S LAMENT

The day of the dee-sea diver is past, believes Captain Henry S. Finch, of Seattle, Wash. He should know. For 23 years Captain Finch walked the shifting sands of sea bottoms. Now he is retiring and hopes his son will not follow his profession.

Captain Finch has good grounds for his lament. Modern science and engineering have perfected new ways to do the diver's work quicker, more efficiently and, most important of all, safer.

Divers once found ready employment in sinking bridge foundations on river bottoms. Today, however, the job is better done by men working in big steel boxes filled with compressed air to keep out the water.

For the wrath of man worketh not the righteousness of God. James 1:20.

## For "Raw" Throat Do This—

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### RIDING ON AIR

Motorists of the not-to-distant future may ride on air. A large rubber company at Akron, Ohio, has announced a new kind of auto spring, made of rubber and inflated with air. It makes possible a featherly ride, and weighs only 2 pounds to a steel spring's 50.

If the new spring is adopted, it will really signalize a major revolution in transportation. For the lowly steel spring has been the one feature common to all vehicles since the days of the lumbering coaches of proud French Kings.

Early coaches had no spring at all. Then someone conceived the brilliant idea of placing the coach body on leather straps running from the four corners of the coach frame. These straps were the first springs.

It was not long before someone else thought of substituting steel bands for the straps, and the first steel spring was made about 1670.

### MORE RUBBER

The Philippine Islands plans to challenge the rubber-producing centers of the world. It has arranged with a large American company to raise vast plantations of rubber trees.

There should be no reason for rubber not becoming a big Philippine crop. For part of the islands lies in the "rubber belt," which extends around the world between 10 degrees north and south latitude. And not far from the Philippines is Malaya, the world's largest rubber producer.

However, it will be at least five years before the islands can threaten Malaya's supremacy. It takes that long for a rubber tree to grow large enough to be tapped. Tapping is done by natives. One removes a bit of bark, makes a diagonal slash partially encircling the trunk. The latex, or sap, oozes from the tree down this slashed groove, and from this sap rubber is produced.

### BANTAM ROOSTER SERVES AS "OFFICE BOY"

Meet "Billie," bantam rooster and super office boy.

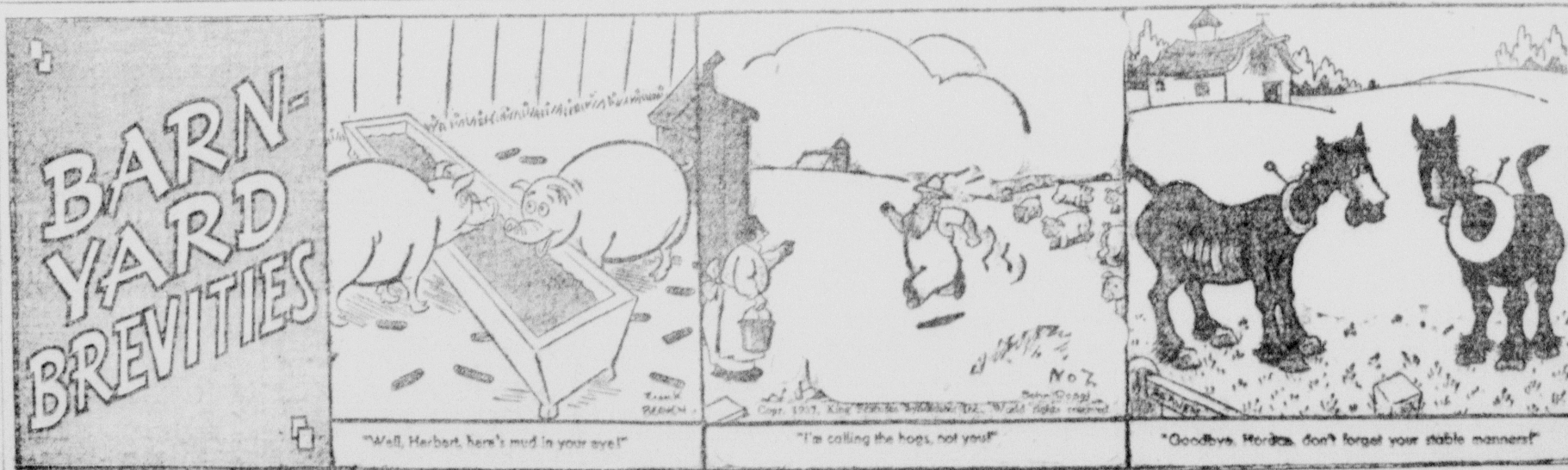
Orville L. Hale, owner of Billie and of a Henryetta, Okla., produce store, says he just cannot do without the chicken.

"Billie took over the job gradually," writes Mr. Hale from 112 East Main Street, Henryetta. "First he learned to herd chickens back into the store after they got loose. We never lose any now. When a customer comes in and we aren't there, he makes a big fuss until we come."

"Once or twice a day he visits a friend who owns the feed store next door. If the friend isn't there to feed him he really raises a row. If that doesn't bring him, he walks into the store and helps himself to what he wants."

### TERMITES

Termites resemble, but are not, white ants. The are, however, one of the most destructive insects known. Working in darkness, they eat their way through heavy timbers, boards, flooring, chests and wardrobes. They undermine and cause the collapse of many buildings.





# TEXAS FARM NEWS REPORTS

Two lemons weighing nine pounds, one four and the other five pounds, were grown by Matt Robinson of Crystal City (Zavala County) on a lemon tree at his grammar school.

A crop of 50 pumpkins from one vine is the record claimed by the W. R. Ferguson family of Hale Center (Hale County). Some of the pumpkins weighed as high as 25 pounds, and the vines covered nearly an acre, according to Ferguson.

Gross income of around \$60.00 a month from egg sales is received by Tom Elder, Jr., Garden Valley 4-H Club boy (Smith County), according to figures supplied the assistant county agent. The sales were made from a flock of 350 White Leghorns. Elder is only 12 years old.

A mule and a cow were in line for Pasteur treatment for rabies in Dallas recently. The two animals were exposed to a mule which had bitten its owner on the hand and which had been pronounced rabid. Because they are valuable work animals, treatment was given to save them.

Rufe Oxford, government trapper in Coleman county, has warned ranchmen that the number of sheep-raiding wolves in that county is increasing. Oxford states that the animals have been drifting into this area from the northwest. Co-operation of the farmers is asked in not disturbing government traps found on their land.

A negro in Victoria county, owner of a jenny, an expectant mother, found her apparently frozen to death one morning and buried her where she lay in the sand. Two days later he was amazed to hear her bray and see her baby jenny burrowing from the ground. The local veterinarian was of the opinion that the jenny was not really dead and that burial in the warm earth revived her sufficiently to accomplish the birth.

One of the cows belonging to an Athens (Henderson county) farmer started giving milk recently with a strange flavor that made it unfit for family use. The perplexed farmer, after investigation, found that the hired girl had been feeding the cow egg-laying mash; and that furthermore, the cow had helped herself to nearly three gallons of anti-freeze solution which had been put in the barn. No visible ill effects were suffered by the animal from her unusual diet, it was reported.

Texas corn production is estimated at 72,048,000 bushels for this season in the recent crop report of the Bureau of Agricultural Economics. This compares with 68,925,000 last year. Yield per acre this year is an average of 16 bushels for the whole State compared with 15 last year.

Houston (Harris County), the center of approximately 2,500 fig-producing acres which had a record crop this year of 4,000,000 pounds, will handle a large percentage of the nation's annual consumption of 5,000,000 pounds of figs. Major R. A. Laird, manager of the industrial department of the local Chamber of Commerce, revealed.

A turkey gobbler that escaped the holiday festive board by committing suicide caused Justice Ira G. Cook of Palestine (Anderson County) to have fried chicken for Christmas. The bird, which couldn't be killed on Thanksgiving because he wouldn't eat and fatten, slowly starved himself for some reason, thus escaping the Christmas ax.

Income to ranchmen in the area of Reagan, Schleicher and Crockett counties is greater now than any other time during the last decade, according to a late news dispatch. Deposits in the Ozona National Bank (Crockett County) have reached a new all-time peak of \$1,106,622, of which \$800,000 is cash on hand. Excellent sales of cattle, wool and lambs account for this comparative prosperity.

According to a news dispatch, Dr. Victor Heiser, author of "An American Doctor's Odyssey," says people should eat alfalfa salad for health. Dr. Heiser states that it is delicious and rich in organic salts which the body lacks. It is also said to be rich in vitamins. However, El Paso Valley farmers, after trying the doctor's suggestion, hold little hope for a new market for one of their principal crops.

Forty-one negro families throughout the State are being given aid by the Farm Security Administration as prospective purchasers of farms. The families are selected from negro tenant farmers who own their teams and tools, and who have evidenced by past performance and recommendations their farming ability. Each farm, of the approved family size, is equipped with substantial frame buildings, and the tenants will be allowed 40 years to pay at 3 per cent interest.

Texas is now the second largest grapefruit producing State in the nation, according to recent statistics.

The King Ranch recently shipped 87 bulls of the Santa Gertrudis breed, the only breed of beef cattle ever established in America, to Cuba where Cuban cattlemen will use them to raise the standard of their native cattle.

Trappers in the Lelie Lake section, (Donley County), report large "takes" of fox, coyote, coon, badger, skunk and bobcat furs this season. A large take of furs was had in this section last winter, and an equally good number is expected this year.

Farmer John Paul, of Dalhart, (Dalhart and Hartley counties), saved 3,000 dimes to make a down payment on a new truck recently. Dimes have made each succeeding payment but one. For the final one, he shelled out 3,650 pennies which weighed 25 pounds.

Seventy-three registered Angora goats were sold and shipped to the Brazilian government recently by Hugo and Hubert Veitell, stock farmers living in the eastern part of Hamilton county. The goats, 25 billies and 48 nannies, ranged from kids to two-year-olds. A representative of the Brazilian government selected and bought the goats.

Trappers are reporting good catches of muskrat, mink and coon in Jefferson county this year. The fur crop is expected to return \$500,000 to trappers and landowners of that county. With a heavy catch of fine quality pelts in prospect this season, unstable quotations thus far have resulted in trappers holding their skins in storage for a better market.

The estimated 1937 pecan crop for the State, according to W. S. Price, president of the Texas Pecan Growers' Association, will be about 24,000,000 pounds as compared to 10,400,000 pounds last year. He estimates that this year's crop will bring about \$3,000,000. For ten years Texas has been a source of 40 per cent of the world's pecan crop. The value of the State's pecan trees is conservatively put at about \$30,000,000.

Soybean flour can be used as a cheap substitute for egg whites in cooking, according to an announcement by the Texas Planning Board which said researchers had discovered that soybean flour could be whipped with many liquids including milk, fruit juices and meat extracts.

Japanese persimmons, a rarity around Collinsworth county, have been grown successfully by J. W. Breedlove on his farm near Wellington. Breedlove states that his trees bore the third year after they were put out, and that this is the second time they have had fruit.

It has been discovered that many Plains cowmen still keep "river horses" in their remudas for use in daily work with cattle. Practically all the ranches along the Canadian and Red rivers have river horses which possess steady even tempers and a level head when they get in deep water or shifting river sand.

Wilson and Atascosa counties led the nation in acreage devoted to watermelon production, a report from the department of commerce says. Wilson county ranked first among the fifty leading counties in the United States with 7,585 acres. Atascosa county was second with 7,067. Fourteen of the 50 counties were in Texas.

The Texas deer kill for the first half of the season has been estimated at about 20,000, according to Will J. Tucker, secretary of the Game Commission. He believes another 10,000 will be bagged by Texas and out-of-State hunters before the season ends. The deer and turkey crop of Texas is valued at \$93,000,000 by the United States Biological Survey.

Willis Burke, ranchman near Mertzon (Irion county), tells the story of using a rope instead of a gun to get his buck this season. While working his pasture, he came upon a bunch of deer. Not having a gun, Burke gave chase to a big buck, caught the animal—an 18 pointer and tied him to a tree. His intention was to take the animal to the ranch house alive, but the deer broke a leg in his struggle for freedom from the rope, and had to be killed.

Eight tons of wet turkey feathers have been sold by a Hillsboro, (Hill County), produce house to a North Texas company, the first time turkey body feathers have ever gone into sale. The feathers will be shipped in a coal car, special permission having been given by the Railroad Commission to ship in this manner.

Steam sterilization of field seed beds and transplanting beds is being used by the Blume System Plant Farm at Willis, Texas, the only farm in the South using this method. All potting soil is likewise sterilized. The growth of plants is controlled artificially by fertilization. Some good results have been obtained by this method.

The practice of planting two rows of feed, skipping four rows and again planting two has been found practical by J. L. Harrison, of the Ovalo community (Taylor County), especially in dry years. Milo planted in that fashion continued to grow during this year's dry period and yielded more than 3,000 pounds of heads to the acre. Stalks remained so green they were placed in a trench silo.

Dick Weekes, of Ranger, (Eastland County), tested various amounts of fertilizers this year on peanuts on 10 one-acre plots. The results showed that the highest yield was made with 75 pounds of 11-48-0 fertilizer. A general survey of the used commercial fertilizers in this county this year indicates that best results are obtained when poor, worn out land is fertilized, according to reports to the county agent. Good, new land does not respond to fertilizing as readily as poor land.

Dr. Tait Butler gives the following suggestions on hog-killing: (1) Cheapest and best pork usually comes from the well-known, well-fed hog that is killed when five to six months old and weighs about 200 to 225 pounds. Hogs weighing 300 pounds to 500 pounds or more usually cost more per pound and the quality of the meat is not so good. (2) To produce good quality pork, quick bleeding is necessary. To aid in this, give no feed but all the water hogs will drink for 24 to 36 hours before killing. Also, for quick bleeding it is much better to stick the animal than to shoot it or knock it in the head.

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A single orange tree at the home of Walter Boehl, of Cuero, produced more than 1,000 Satsuma oranges this year. The tree, which is fifteen years old, has a spread of approximately 25 feet and has been bearing for 12 years, Boehl says.

The gopher control program in Morris county is going forward at a rapid pace. The vocational agriculture department of the Daingerfield school has announced that during the past month enough poison has been distributed to clean up over 45,000 acres of land, which represents more than 25 per cent of the infested portion of the county.

The problem of keeping cows from crawling through barbed wire fences has been solved by the use of an ordinary two-point tin can. The can is wired in the loose hide near the top of the shoulder. The can sticks straight up. When the cow starts through the fence the wire catches on the can and a yank or two against the wire in the hide makes the cow decide to back out. Farmers say the can is more humane than a heavy yoke or nose ring, causing no pain until it catches on some obstruction. The method could not be used, of course, in a timbered country.

The one-variety cotton community movement has been adopted by farmers in the Copperas Cove (Coryell County) area. The Watson McBane variety has been selected for this area as it led all others in number of pounds of lint per acre in four-year tests at the Temple Blackland Experiment Station.

The Soil Conservation Service has reduced the nation's dust bowl included in its 26 demonstration areas by 66 per cent this year, said H. H. Finell, regional conservator at Amarillo. Of the 95,000,000 acres in the wind erosion region of Texas, Oklahoma and adjoining States 956,573 acres are under government soil and moisture conservation treatment. That is approximately 1 per cent of the entire dust bowl.

A mixed citrus fruit early shipment went to Oslo, Norway, from Mission (Hidalgo County). Only during the past few years has the Valley fruit been shipped to foreign nations other than those of North America. The car included 372 boxes of seedless grapefruit—169 boxes of size 80 and 212 of size 96. The total shipments to Norway for this year's season will probably amount to eight cars.



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## First News of Custer's Defeat Told by Grapevine Telegraph

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CHAL BYERS, a business man of Cleveland, Okla., lived among the Osage Indians for many years and, when in the mood, can tell some interesting things about this tribe of Indians, reputed to be the wealthiest tribe in the world. Their wealth comes from oil discovered on land given to them by the U. S. government.

Chal Byers' father, J. H. Byers, moved from Iowa to Kansas with his family in 1869. Young Chal was then 8 years old. They settled at the point where Hickory creek empties into Big Caney river, built a home and prepared for the coming winter. The country was all open range, with neighbors few and far apart. Two years later, when it was learned that the Byers home was in Indian Territory instead of Kansas, the home was moved 100 feet to the Kansas side.

Here young Chal grew to manhood, chose the life of a cowboy and became a friend of the Osage Indians. He learned the Osage language so well that even now he can "find" Osage words to express his meaning when he cannot remember the English equivalent. He spent much of his early life in Osage camps and came to know their habits, customs and traditions. Today he refers to those early Osages as the "finest people he ever knew."

### Guide to Washington Irving

One man Chal Byers knew particularly well was Pierre Alexis Beatte, a half-breed—part French, part Indian, with all the characteristics peculiar to the two races. Beatte's claim to fame

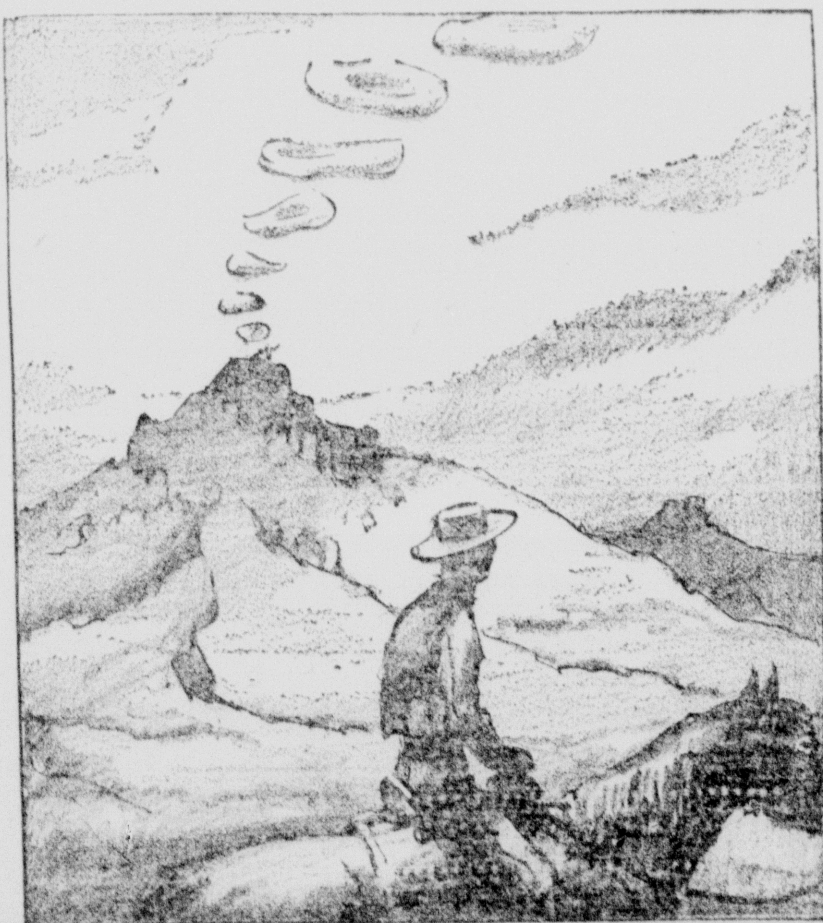
rested with being a guide to Washington Irving, the famous American writer, in the latter's "Tour of the Prairies" of Indian Territory in 1832, afterward immortalized in a story that Irving wrote. Beatte owned a trading post, three miles south of Byers' claim, where he kept stocks of groceries, etc. Beatte was always proud of two things—his beautiful Osage wife and his experience as a guide to Washington Irving.

Byers' father was a cattleman with a contract to provide beef for Indian agencies at Hoiny, Hickory Post and Salt Creek, Okla. The contract stipulated that twenty head of cattle a week were to be delivered to each agency on the hoof and killed under government specifications. The meat was equally divided among eligible Osages. The Indians had no wagons in those early times, Byers recalls, and Indian ponies could be seen with packs on their backs of a quarter to one-half of freshly killed beef, two or three sacks of flour and a husky squaw perched on top of the entire load. Many times the load weighed more than the pony.

### Brakeless Wagons

All wagons were provided by the government. These wagons had spring seats and comfortable backrests but, for some unknown reason the wag-

ons had no brakes. When a wagon started downhill it was a case of the wagon pushing the hitched animal. Eventually a common saying in the



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Osage country was: "It is a poor horse than can't outrun a wagon." This was fifty years ago, but on the

old Osage trails today many trees bear scars inflicted by those runaway brakeless wagons.

When Byers first came to the Osage country he says there were still enough buffalo on the plains to provide food and raiment for the Indians. But since the animals were objects of commerce, blame for their wanton slaughter was laid at the door of the white men. However, Byers vouches for this statement, that the Indians also killed buffalo for commercial profit. He recalls a single trader that bought 100,000 buffalo hides from two tribes within a few weeks.

### "Grapevine Telegraph"

An aspect of Indian life that astonished Byers was the "grapevine telegraph." He thought it most uncanny. One night, while in an Osage camp on the Caney river, a man by the name of Alvin Woods rode into camp early next morning and announced that Custer and his command had been wiped out by the Sioux Indians on the Little Big Horn river, in Montana. Every Indian in camp knew Custer well and believed Woods' story, but Byers was skeptical, and he asked Woods how he knew. "Smoke," was Wood's laconic answer.

This sounded vague to Byers. When he went home and told his fa-

ther what Woods had said about Custer, his father also doubted its truthfulness. Later Wood's report of the battle was officially verified.

What puzzled Byers was how the Indians knew so early that Custer had met defeat when there were no telephone or telegraph lines within 40 miles. The nearest predominant newspaper in those days was the St. Louis Globe-Democrat, which always arrived in Indian Territory a week late. The story of Custer's fate was known to the Indians before it appeared in the Globe-Democrat.

### Pawnee Scouts Bring News

Several days before the Little Big Horn battle, Pawnee scouts had been passing the Osage camp on their way to join Custer. These Pawnees were excellent scouts and Custer had sent for them. A day or two after the fight, these Pawnees were seen returning. Byers asked them why they were going home so soon.

"No use," they said. "Custer dead." Somewhere along the trail those Pawnees had learned of Custer's death, Byers says he knows now that the Indians must have relayed smoke signals about Custer, for neither Indian runners nor white men could not have carried the news so quickly.

Byers became an Indian trader at Hoiny post in 1889. Later he operated a Cleveland store and "made the run" into the Cherokee Strip, in 1894, where he staked a claim on Hell Roaring creek, a few miles northwest of Cleveland. He went into the Osage country again in 1900, as a rancher, remaining three years.



## FISH BY AIRPLANE

And now they are using airplanes to find schools of fish. At Reedsport, Ore., a sardine company uses an airplane to spot schools of fish. The plane observer radios the location of men in boats.

However, this isn't the first connection between flying and fishing. Canadian game wardens on the Pacific Coast use planes to spot poachers tossing their hooks during closed seasons in forbidden waters.

Then, several years ago, the "Airplane Lobster Flying Company" was organized in New England. Two planes made regular runs hauling lobsters from Atlantic ports to Detroit. Similarly, a Washington (D. C.) restaurant contracted with an airline to fly crabs from the Gulf of Mexico.

The latter idea was even tried in Paris, where another restaurant hired a pilot to speed freshly-caught fish from seacoasts.

## STILL DRAW PENSIONS FOR WAR OF 1812

The Treaty of Ghent ended the War of 1812 the day before Christmas, 122 years ago, but the government still has two pensioners on the rolls of that war.

They are the widow of one New York militia private and the daughter of another, Mrs. Carolina King, of Cheektowaga, N. Y., widow of Darius King, and Mrs. Esther Morgan, of Independence, Ore., daughter of John Hill.

The records of the Veterans Administration disclosed that the nation's pension bill for the 1937 fiscal year was \$396,000,000, or \$2,000,000 less than in 1936. Officials estimated that the total for the current year would be \$402,000,000 because the last session of Congress increased slightly the pensions of some widows and opened the rolls to new pensioners.

Pensions were paid in 1937 to 594,646 veterans of all wars, 161,783 widows, 65,123 children, 85,722 parents and 1,505 other dependents.

## CITY OF TUNNELS

New York, city of tunnels, still another roadway under the water. Opened last week was a new auto tube burrowed beneath the Hudson River from midtown Manhattan to Weehawken, N. J.

Already New York claims more underwater tunnels than any other city in the world. The new one makes the eighteenth and some of the tunnels have twin tubes! The bed of the Hudson, between Manhattan and the neighboring New Jersey communities is pierced by six tunnels and a twin to the new "Lincoln Tunnel" will be ready by 1940.

But the bed of the East River is even more cut up than that of the Hudson. There are nine tunnels, all for subway trains, bored under the channel separating Manhattan from Long Island. Add to those sub-river passages the three under the Harlem River and you'll see why New York claims the world's tunneling crown.

## DEATH IN THE AVALANCHE

Switzerland is fighting avalanches with alder bushes. The bushes are being planted on barren Alpine slopes to keep snow from rushing into valleys. Several times each winter, or when the thaw sets in each spring, snow bowls down mountains, burying villages and people.

Such a little thing as the slip of a skier's foot may start one of those slides. Loosened snow coursing down the hill loosens more snow and ice. Soon the entire mountainside is shedding its white blanket, which rumbles down as fast as 100 miles an hour.

Nothing withstands that torrent. Preceding it is a hurricane-like wind, tearing up acres of trees. Then comes the tidal wave of snow to engulf towns, farms, fleeing inhabitants. Such a slide once dealt death to 145 Swiss mountaineers.

An avalanche may do some good, however. It sweeps rich soil into valleys, deposits good firewood practically at people's doorsteps—if the people and doorsteps are still there.

For here have we no continuing city, but we seek one to come. Heb. 13:8.

## TOBACCO USE NEAR 1917 RECORD

The largest consumption of tobacco in twenty years is being registered for 1937 by government statisticians.

Use of tobacco in all forms—cigarettes, chewing, smoking, snuff and cigars—is expected to average this year 7 1/4 pounds per capita of the population. The all-time peak was 7 3/4 pounds in 1917—the year of the mobilization of the World War army.

But ways in which tobacco is consumed have changed greatly since 1917; changed more since the turn of the century.

Federal statisticians find that the annual consumption of chewing tobacco is little more than half a pound per person now as compared with four times this quantity in 1900. Men then chewed or snuffed as much as they smoked. They smoked cigars and pipes, but few cigarettes.

Now, with the aid of women, the total consumption of cigarettes this year is expected to total about 165,000,000,000. This compares with 153,000,000,000 in 1936, and with 104,000,000,000 in 1932. The statisticians say the increase during the last four years—from 2 1/2 to 3 1/2 pounds of tobacco per person—has exceeded that of any similar preceding period.

Fewer cigars are being smoked than during the first quarter of the century—about 5,400,000,000 a year now, compared with the all-time peak of 8,500,000,000 in 1920. There has been a marked shift, also, to the nickel cigar, but not enough to make up for the decreased smoking of ten and twenty centers.

## 10-MONTH FARM INCOME

The Bureau of Agriculture Economics, at Washington, estimated the cash income of American farmers during the first ten months of 1937 was approximately \$751,000,000 above income for the same period last year. It estimated the total income, including government payments, at \$7,087,000,000 this year, compared with \$6,336,000,000 last year.

October income was placed at \$911,000,000, compared with \$904,000,000 for the same month last year.

The bureau said November and December incomes might not equal those of the same months last year, because of lower prices and smaller marketing of some major commodities.

Government payments for the first ten months of this year totaled \$355,000,000, compared with \$232,000,000 last year. California led other States, with a total estimated farm income of \$521,531,000 for the first ten months this year, compared with \$471,531,000 last year.

## THE KILLER

Mink traveled in style in Canada recently. More than 1,000 of the small weasels were shipped by train when a fur farm was moved from near Montreal to another part of Quebec.

Special, individual cages had to be provided for each animal. It would never do to put two mink together. Only one would finish the journey. So pugnacious are the creatures, they even attack their own kind.

Every time a mink enters battle, something dies—unless the opponent makes good its escape. Lightning quick in its movements, utterly fearless, a mink is a killer through and through. One has been found sleeping beside three dead chickens. It had feasted on one and killed the other two for sheer enjoyment.

## SAFETY SUGGESTIONS TO PARENTS

The Department of Safety has distributed this "message to parents and motorists":

"It is always a good plan to urge to observe this perfectly simple rule: 'When you start across the street, look to the left, and then when you reach the middle of the street, look to the right.' Why? Because when you start, all traffic is coming from the left, except under certain conditions, such as one-way streets, and after you pass the center of the street all traffic comes from your right."



# Our Boys and Girls

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## FACING THE NEW YEAR

A brand New Year spreads out before us like a new book with lovely, clean pages. Shall we keep the pages clean or shall we smear them with acts unworthy of our better selves. Only each one of us, as individuals, can truly answer this question. Aunt Mary hopes that all her boy and girl readers will do their level best to make the year—1938—a useful year, filled with kindly thoughts and noble deeds.

The New Year will bring some new ideas to our Boys' and Girls' Page.

First, we are going to enlarge our "Party Department." Young folk like to have a good time, and we think they are entitled to it. But sometimes they thoughtlessly do things which look like fun at the time, but which later turn out to their hurt. These parties can be given with little expense if you are willing to help in the work of planning.

Second, we are going to carry an original story each month on the Boys' and Girls' Page. This story will appear for the first time in January, and should be a welcome addition to your collection of stories if that is one of your hobbies.

Third, we plan to devote a section of our page to "hobbies." Since many of our public schools are taking up the subject of hobbies along with their regular school work, we invite you to send in stories about your various hobbies. One dollar will be paid for each story published. Please keep a duplicate of your story, as manuscript cannot be returned. Address your hobby story to: Editor, Boys' and Girls' Page, Route 5, Box 179-B, Fort Worth, Texas.

## GREETINGS TO YOU!

To the many friends of this page (both old and new) we wish a healthy, happy New Year. During the past years your loyalty and sympathy has been a great help to Aunt Mary and appreciated beyond words. We want you to feel this is YOUR page; that any suggestions you make will be carefully considered. We invite comments from you all.

## Original Story No. 1 THE PRICE FOR FUN

Jane and Joe were unusual twins. They were as opposite in every way as they could be. Jane was short and fat with curly blond hair and blue eyes that sparkled with mischief. Her mouth was full and petulant. One could tell at a glance that she was full of pranks, though selfish.

Joe suffered most of all because of his sister's thoughtless ways. He was rather tall for 10 years of age, and his brown hair straight and coarse. His speech was slow, and most provoking of all (to him) was the fact that he blushed so easily. Boys don't like to blush, and this failing made him ill at ease with other young folk. Jane delighted in teasing her brother, and laughed uproariously at his discomfort.

Their father was inclined to take a lenient attitude towards Jane's thoughtless teasing. But Mary Brown, their mother, was distressed greatly because she could read the deep, serious heart in her son's eyes.

"Some day, Jane," her mother warned, "you are going to deeply regret your constant taunting of your brother."

"Oh," she would reply with a toss of her head, "Joe knows I am only kidding." "Nevertheless it hurts him so much," the mother insisted.

It was during the Christmas holidays that Jane had cause to remember her mother's warning. The Browns lived on a little homey street in a large city. As is often true of little streets where neat brick homes stand like soldiers in a row, there were many children. Most of them had lived in this neighborhood since birth, and had grown up quarreling, yet loving each other like one big family. In most respect it was like thousands of other streets all over America.

Jane mingled with the other children, roller-skating in the spring up and down the walks; then playing ball, jacks and all the other sports of childhood. During hot summer days the children had often sat on some shady porch, sipping cool drinks while they bantered and teased one another.

Fall and school days came all too soon; then away they hustled to busy study rooms. Winter with its tingling frosty days soon came, and before they realized it Christmas was there. What fun it was to carry gifts from house to house. What shouting on Christmas morning as they danced about the toy-laden tree.

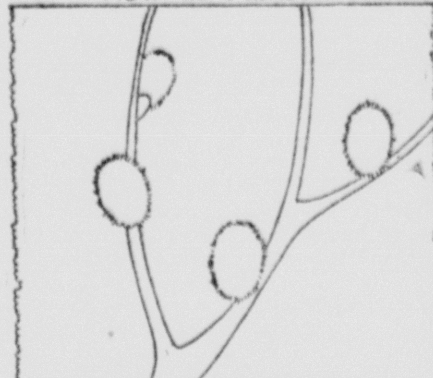
It was three days after the visit of dear Saint Nick that mother told the twins they might go to town to a movie. As was their custom, they took the bus which stopped three blocks from their home. Dad used the auto for business, and bus-riding was such fun to them anyway. Jane was unusually mischievous that day. All the way down town she had taunted her brother constantly. At first Joe had laughed a little; then he became angry and said mean things in return. Jane was having a grand time. Poor Joe was miserable and unhappy. All the way home he had not spoken a single word, and sat looking at the street with unseeing eyes. When the two children left the bus at their corner, Jane saw two girls coming down the street toward them. One of the girls was a child who had been kind and friendly to Joe. Jane de-

## Let's Draw

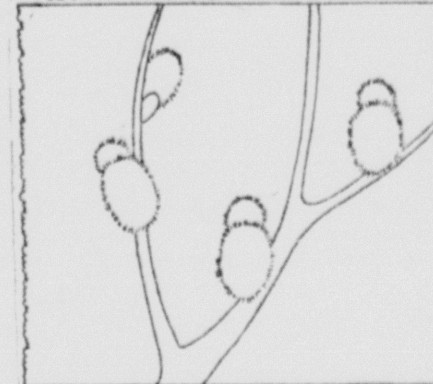
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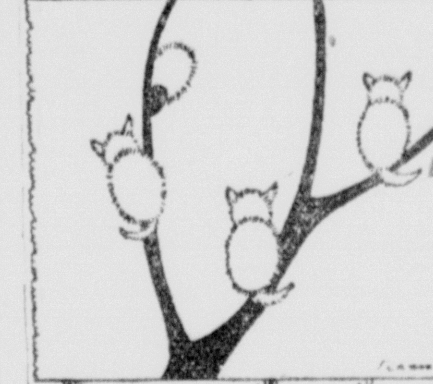
How do I know?



Look at these branches bare—



In coats of silky fur you'll find—



Four pussy willows there.

lighted in teasing her brother about this girl friend.

"Here comes your girl to meet you," she whispered to Joe.

Joe was furious. He knew that as soon as the four of them met Jane would tease him until he was blushing again and most uncomfortable.

"I won't walk with you, Jane Brown, another step," he shouted. "You go home on this side of the street, and I'll take the other."

While Joe was still speaking, he stepped from the curb and out into the street. A scream from one of the girls caused Jane to turn in time to see a car speedily bearing down upon her brother. Paralyzed with fear, she saw the wheels strike him, heard the thud of his body and then all was black.

When Jane opened her eyes she was lying on her own bed. Mrs. McCurry, the Brown's next door neighbor, was bending over her with a glass of water in her hand.

"Here Jane," she spoke softly, "take a little drink now. Are you feeling better?"

The cool water felt good to her dry throat. "Why am I here, Mrs. McCurry?" the little girl asked, puzzled. "Where is mother?"

Then with swift realization the picture of her brother and the swiftly-moving auto flashed into her mind.

"Joe—Joe, look out—Oh, Joe, where are you?" she shrieked, sitting up in bed.

The kindly hand of Mrs. McCurry laid her back on the pillow.

"There, there now, you mustn't get excited. Just lay still—dear mother will be here soon."

"But—Joe. Where is Joe?" she pleaded. "Is he—?"

"They took Joe to the hospital, dear. Mother went with him. We do not know how badly he was hurt." The jangle of the telephone interrupted Mrs. McCurry's voice. Hurrying to the phone, she called: "Hello."

Jane waited almost breathlessly while she

listened. "Yes, Mrs. Brown, I can hear you. Oh, I'm so glad! Yes, she is awake now, but I'll keep her in bed as you say. Yes, certainly, take your time. No indeed, please don't rush. Surely, I'll phone her right away. Good-bye."

"Mrs. McCurry," Jane cried, "was that mother? What did she say about Joe? Where is she?"

"One question at a time," the kindly lady interposed, smiling. "Yes, that was your mother. She is at the hospital. They have just brought Joe out of the operating room, and the doctor said he was going to get well. There was no head injury, but his leg and an arm are broken. Your mother can't come home for some time yet, and said for me to phone your Aunt Lucy to come and stay with you."

"But, I want to go to the hospital and see Joe," (Jane burst into tears). "I want to tell him—"

"There, there dear, don't try to talk now. Let me phone for your aunt."

Later snuggled safely in Aunt Lucy's arms, Jane poured out her heart.

"I have been so mean to Joe," she sobbed. "If God will only let him get well—I'll never—never tease him again. I love him—he's my brother, my twin brother, too. I thought it was sport to see him blush. I didn't think it really hurt him. I'll never do it again, honest I won't. If Joe will just forgive me this time, I know what mother meant when she said, 'a thing that causes hurt is never any fun.' It was all my fault he was hurt. If I—"

"Now, Jane, let me say something," interrupted her aunt. "I know you are deeply sorry. I am sure Joe will get well. I want you to remember just one thing. It is an old saying, 'a wrong admitted' is half atoned. The other half is NOT to let it happen again." (The End)

## NEXT MONTH'S FORECAST

This coming month we are going to give you some fine suggestions for Valentine, St. Patrick and Washington's birthday parties.

Why not make a scrap book of parties? Get a well-bound book and have it ready for the many unusual ideas we are going to present to you.

Comments, suggestions and personal letters are always welcomed. Address Aunt Mary, Route 5, Box 179-B, Fort Worth, Texas.

## FIRECRACKERS BANNED

No more night fireworks for Wauchang and Hankow, China. Lately daring bandits have been masking nocturnal raids on the cities' forts by shooting firecrackers. So the noisy toys have been banned for the citizenry between 9 p. m. and 6 a. m.

The edict must hit the Chinese pretty hard, for China was the birthplace of fireworks. There crackers have been used for centuries to celebrate New Year's and other holidays—even long before explosives were known to the rest of the world.

Firecrackers probably came to Europe by way of Italy. The pious Latins employed them to make merry great religious festivals. Gradually the custom spread to Spain and other religious strongholds.

That's why some U. S. Southern States shoot fireworks on Christmas. It's a holdover from the days when Louisiana, Florida and Texas were Spanish colonies.

## FOREIGN COTTON PRODUCTION

Latest estimate of the New York Cotton Exchange places foreign cotton production this season at 19,550,000 bales, based on cable reports from abroad. This compared with 18,410,000 last year.

The exchange reported the following estimates for this season and last:

Egypt 2,250,000 bales for 1937; and 1,863,000 bales for 1936; Brazil 2,100,000 and 1,708,000; China 3,250,000 and 3,256,000; India 5,500,000 and 5,661,000; Russia 3,250,000 and 3,250,000. All others 3,200,000 and 2,587,000 bales.

Showing the steady growth in three years of foreign cotton, production abroad in 1934-35 was only 13,474,000 bales, the exchange reported.

Counting the American crop as something over 18,000,000 bales, world production will nearly equal or exceed 38,000,000 bales this season and, counting the carry-over, will make a supply of some 50,000,000 bales on the market.

World consumption, according to exchange figures, is not showing any signs of expansion needed to absorb this output. World consumption during the first quarter of this year amounted to 7,287,000 bales compared with 7,267,000 the season before.

Last year the world used 13,093,000 bales of American cotton and 17,898,000 of foreign, a total of 30,991,000. Consumption will have to be increased 8,000,000 bales to prevent an abnormal surplus.

## \$11,857,000,000 SPENT ON ARMING THIS YEAR

The League of Nations armaments year book, published recently, showed that the world's expenditures on armaments in 1937 will total \$11,857,000,000, nearly three times as much as in 1913, the year before the World War began.

The world's standing armies totaled 8,500,000, as against only 6,000,000 in 1913.

The steady growth in the sums spent for war machines was shown by comparison with the totals for 1932 and 1935, respectively \$7,181,000,000 and \$9,352,000,000.

The year book emphasized that its figures did not include the expenses of semi-military organs of many nations nor the costs of construction of strategic roads and airports, frequently serving military purposes.

Of the 1937 total \$7,682,000,000 has gone for the upkeep of Europe's war machines, nearly 65 per cent of the world total. Four years ago Europe spent about 60 per cent of the total.

Returns from sixty-four nations were included in the 1937 tabulations, but seven of them spent 76 per cent of the total, \$9,018,000,000. These seven, the United States, Britain, France, Italy, Germany, Japan and Soviet Russia increased their armaments spending 80 per cent since 1932.

## RADIO FIREFIGHTING

Fighting forest fires under radio orders is the big thing nowadays. The United States has just announced that in five years it has put into use 2,000 new short wave sets. Many of them are used in the big timber regions of the Pacific Northwest.

In that area short wave radio won its spurs in forest-fire control. Originally, the sets maintained communication between ground crews. Then forest rangers took to airplanes to spot deadly tongues of flame.

That shoved new problems on the shoulders of Forest Service engineers. They had to design a light and compact short wave set, yet one strong enough to survive bouncing when a plane alighted on a makeshift airport. They did it, bringing into use the present marvelous instrument that weighs only 8 pounds, yet has a range up to 50 miles.

East Texas forests are provided with fire-detecting towers manned by tower men and radio sets. The size of the average forest fire this year in East Texas has been kept to 20.6 acres. Previous to 1937 average size was 131 acres, based on records from 1917 to 1936.

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## MYSTERY CORAL REEF

Science is trying to solve the mystery of Australia's Great Barrier Reef. This jagged gash of coral, sometimes below the water, sometimes jutting its brilliant colors above the waves, stretches 1,200 miles along Australia's northeast coast.

At its southern tip, on Heron Island, scientists now have bored a hole more than 500 feet deep. They seek to find if the reef is entirely of coral and what was its origin. They know it was built by tiny sea creatures, but the puzzler is that the reef is perhaps 1,000 feet deep, and those creatures can not live in water much below 240 feet.

These sea animals, called polyps, were about the size of a pinhead when born. White and jelly-like, they attached themselves to rocks. Then, carbon dioxide in their bodies was united with limestone in the water. In this way, solid limestone cases were built around their bodies. Other coral polyps clung to those cases, built their own rocky shells. Years of this formed the reef.

## BIGGEST IRRIGATION DITCH

The biggest irrigation ditch in the United States is about ready to bear precious water 80 miles to California's hot, dry Imperial Valley. More than 200 feet wide and 21 feet deep, the canal will permit cultivation of about 500,000 acres.

The opening of the canal will emphasize again that man has yet to improve on some ancient methods. For irrigation ditches were used by the early Egyptians. Crudely they trapped in canals the waters which the Nile flung over its banks each spring.

China, also, long has used irrigation ditches. Even today, toiling Chinese bring water to arid land in the same way their ancestors did—by means of huge waterwheels.

A sweating coolie trots tirelessly on a treadmill and turns the wheel. Attached to the wheel are buckets which raise water from a river or lake and spill it into irrigation canals.

## WINGED DESTRUCTION

While America has the grasshopper pest, Central America has a far worse pest—the locust.

Nature has many fiendish ways to wreck man's handiwork, and one of her worst is a swarm of locusts. Asia Minor, particularly, suffers.

In Palestine, whole skies may be darkened by a solid blanket of locusts. Once a swarm covering 2,000 miles was observed over the Red Sea. The damage such an army can do is almost beyond belief.

In a few hours a horde can sweep every living green thing from an area miles in extent. In Asia Minor, farmers have been forced to stand by helplessly as locusts stripped tree after tree in fig orchards.

## 1935 DEATH TOLL CUT UNDER 1900

The mortality rate among the white population of the country has decreased since 1900 to the extent that there were 768,402 fewer deaths in 1935, statisticians of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company reported.

They explained that the 1935 death toll of 1,207,359 would have been 1,975,761, if the 1900 mortality conditions persisted.

The improvement in the tuberculosis mortality rate ranks first, and in 1935 there were 173,000 fewer deaths from this disease.

I came not to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance. Luke 5:32.



# Coffee Oddities

## ODD FACTS ABOUT COFFEE

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Sheik Omar, exiled in Arabia, faced starvation through accidental destruction of his supplies. Having nothing to eat, he took the berries of the coffee tree and ate them. He also boiled them in a vessel and drank of the decoction. He did not keep his secret long, for a good doctor-priest, to whom he had given some of this decoction, began to sing the praises of the magical drink, and brought Omar back in triumph to Mocha, where they erected a monastery for him as an expression of their gratitude.

## TEXANS TODAY Drink ADMIRATION

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### WANTED: HORSES

The United States doesn't raise enough horses, claims the Department of Agriculture's Bureau of Animal Industry. Last year, the number imported was twice the preceding year's figure. Most were work horses.

Yet, though the breeding of work horses is falling off in this country, the demand is still great. Machinery hasn't taken over all the labor on farms, and prices of good farm horses are constantly soaring.

Horses are in demand not only on farms. Some big milk and laundry companies still use horses in cities. A horse-drawn milk wagon may seem old-fashioned, but it's cheaper to operate than a truck. This is because an automobile suffers the greatest wear, uses the most gas when it's started and stopped frequently.

### ELEPHANTS FOR SALE

Want a nice, hard-working elephant cheap? Then go to India. There are a lot for sale. Tractors, it seems, are taking over the heavy tasks that long have been the elephants' work.

Strenuous jobs of all sorts fall the way of these domesticated pachyderms. The British army has used them for transport. But their chief duties are lifting and tugging the heavy teak wood in the timber yards of Ceylon.

Before the advent of tractors, these work elephants usually sold for around \$4,000 or \$5,000 each. The price was so high because elephants do not breed well in captivity. It is necessary to capture and tame the wild beasts.

Once captured, an elephant doesn't take long to "learn the ropes." Probably the most intelligent of all domesticated animals, it knows its job thoroughly in a few months.

### CARELESS ELDERLY FOLK

Who gives traffic authorities the most gray hairs—drivers or youngsters playing in streets? Neither, says a New Jersey safety official. Elderly folks, he claims, are the most careless pedestrians. Sometimes they figure in more than one-half of a town's pedestrian accidents.

### WOMEN MINERS

No such "sissy" hobbies as knitting and bridge for housewives around Waiho, New Zealand. Women there go in for gold panning. One of them, Mrs. E. L. Mathews, told all about it on a recent visit to the U. S.

Mrs. Mathews went to Waiho about five years ago, after her husband's death. So far, she has found more than \$3,500 worth of precious metal. But there are others who have been panning for gold even longer.

Originally, wives followed their prospecting husbands to the gold-fields, at first were content to wash dishes and keep house. But after a while, they, too, started prospecting. Today, most of them have their own claims, their own shovels and pans.

Attracted by the report of Waiho's feminine miners, other New Zealand women now are spending "panning vacations" in the neighborhood.

### 264,000 WOMEN OPERATE FARMS

The United States has 264,000 women who own or operate their own farms. In addition there are enough women farm managers, forewomen and women farm laborers to bring the total to 1,000,000 women in agriculture. \* \* Their's is generally a hard lot. It is estimated 87 per cent never get vacations. \* \* Because of the burdensome work, women have turned their attention to inventing labor-saving devices. They have patented sugar-cane shippers, peanut plows, weed exterminators and countless other work savers.

### GRATEFUL CHINA

In 1907 the United States canceled China's huge Boxer Rebellion indemnity debt. Grateful China turned the money into a fund to send hundreds of students to United States colleges. Other hundreds came "on their own." \* \* Mme. Chiang Kai-shek, wife of China's dictator and head of the air force, was graduated from Wellesley College, Wellesley, Mass. \* \* And Sun Yat-sen, "father of the Chinese Republic," attended United States grammar schools in Hawaii.

# HOUSEHOLD HELPS

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## BUSY WOMEN'S WORKBASKET

### Tea Towels of Many Nations

Each day a new helper in distinctive national costume comes to help dry dishes. Think of the travel and romance they'll help you weave into each day's task. From Sweden and Scotland they come; from France, Holland, Denmark, Hungary and Portugal they bring their colorful assistance. The panholders are familiar Rastus and Dinah with gay bandannas. These nine designs are on number C8462, price 10c, a hot iron transfer that gives you several stampings.

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## NEW YEAR RESOLUTIONS

This is the month that many of us make, or plan to make, "New Year Resolutions." Some resolutions we keep inviolate, but often we break most of our "good intentions" before the year passes.

Good resolutions are effective only when sincerely made, when backed up by the desire to keep them under any and all circumstances. Recently, over a nation-wide broadcast, a well-known authority on personal achievements warned women of today to resolve to study more, so they might attain greater personalities and greater influence.

As we face the new year we are beset with

anxiety and doubt. The whole world is tense and nervous. Now as never before the world needs level-headed, clear-thinking women. When men come home from the "battles" of a business they need a cheerful, well-regulated home. Our children need also such a home. New Year Resolutions of wives and mothers might well be: "Cheerfulness Without—Peace and Power Within."

The modern world leans heavily on woman-kind for courage, faith, love and support in these changing times. Women's responsibilities are therefore grave and multitudinous; let us meet them squarely and honestly.

## LATE STYLES

Plaids and stripes are merry contributions to the melange of color. Both make entire dresses that will add much to the joy of an evening. There is a plaid, with a very tailored little jacket, and a rose-blue and white stripe worked into a big herring-bone pattern. More subdued is a red plaid which is only an accessory to a black marquisette gown.

Jackets are everywhere. To be in the swim a dress with one of the soutache embroidered jackets is necessary. They are worn in a bright color with a dark dress. Coral with black, red with gray, yellow with brown, or white with black or navy. These peppy boleros or Jaquettes constitute one of the most attractive new notes of the season. Next in interest are those of white lace, very short and fitted, worn with black.

Once again Mexico looms as a style factor. This time the colors of that dazzling land of sunshine have come north. Dinner frocks are shown in three and even four color combinations. The brown is that glowing red shade of earthenware; the red the vibrant tone of pimiento; the yellow has the glow of

gold; the green the dusty sheen of a cactus.

### Frocks

Full-skirted frocks are of such airy materials as marquisette, net, chiffon and lace. Under them rustle taffeta petticoats. They come in ravishing colors and are trimmed in new ways. A gown to touch a masculine heart is of pale pink and parma-violet net, with the gathers so clustered that the two colors seem to be in wide stripes. The charms of this little number lie also in the bolero of pink and purple blossoms, resembling large violets, and the coquettish muff that may be carried with it.

### Hats

Direct from Paris there are several sailors, one, a tiny rough natural-color straw is trimmed and tied on with narrow black velvet ribbons; a veil attached to the ribbon is worn over the face. The entire top of a black picot sailor is covered with white grosgrain lily petals. A life-sized red apple is patched on the crown of another black picot.

## BAKING HINTS FOR THE NEW YEAR

Ambitious housewives are anxious to improve their culinary accomplishments each year. A unique aid towards fulfillment of this desire is a book recently published by General Foods Corporation, entitled: "10 Steps to Perfect Baking." I am listing a few of the many steps advocated by their baking experts:

"Many busy housewives ask how they might have fresh cake when someone comes in unexpectedly for a meal? There is a ready answer when we use double-acting baking powder. The batter can be mixed ahead and stored in the refrigerator—ready to bake when wanted. Even when you store the cake batter for days, you can count on perfect lightness when you bake it. Here are a few simple rules:

"1. If the baking is to be delayed only an hour or so, slip the bowl or pan of batter into the refrigerator.

"2. If the batter is to be stored longer, do these three things:

"(a) Mix double acting batter, pour in pan; cover pan first with a damp cloth and then with waxed paper. Tie paper down well or secure with rubber band.

"(b) Store batter in a cold place until you are ready to bake. Double acting baking powder's second action will be held until batter reaches heat.

"(c) Unwrap pans and bake as usual. Results will be perfect—delicately light, tender, fine and velvety in texture.

"Gingerbread, cottage pudding, waffles, muffins or griddle cakes may all be mixed ahead ready to bake for supper or next day breakfast. Be sure and cover the pans or containers well.

"The successful cook plans ahead for her marketing and her meals. She builds her baking skill by mastering first the basic technique of accurate measuring, careful mixing and exact baking. These do-it-right habits once formed become her stock in trade."

There are eight hard and fast rules for perfect baking, as set forth in this instructive book. They are simple and easy to follow:

"1. Plan your baking before you start. Choose your recipe. Read and understand it thoroughly. Assemble all ingredients and utensils needed.

"2. Choose good ingredients and correct tools. Whatever you bake will be only as good as the ingredients with which it was made. Efficient tools make the job more pleasant and more profitable.

"3. Use exact ingredients and amounts specified. In fairness to the recipe follow it exactly. Do not substitute.

"4. Measure only with standard cups and spoons. A standard cup is an accurate half-pint measure. A standard tablespoon equals three standard teaspoons. Always sift flour once before measuring. A measure should be level.

"5. Mix ingredients carefully by direction. Follow exactly the mixing directions given in each recipe.

"6. Use the type and size of pans specified. Prepare pans before mixing ingredients. A greased paper lining in pans for large buttermilk cakes gives added protection. For greasing, butter is preferred because of its flavor. Melt butter and use only the oil on top. A pastry brush is convenient for greasing. Do not grease sponge cake pans.

"7. Don't guess about your baking temperatures. If your stove does not have a heat regulator, use a portable oven thermometer. When oven temperature is exactly right, the baked product should be done in the time given. But, for safety, always test baked things before removing from oven. To test cake-like mixtures, press the top lightly with the finger. If surface springs back leaving no imprint, cake is done. To test muffins and breads, insert a wire tester in center. If it comes out clean and dry, the baking is done.

"8. Handle cakes carefully after baking. Let butter cake stand in pan for about 5 minutes, then remove from pan and turn right side up on rack to finish cooling. With sponge cake, invert and let cake hang in pan for 1 hour or until cold before removing."

## UNUSUAL RECIPES FOR 1938

In our search for new and unusual recipes, we find many delightful dishes which we try to pass on to you as rapidly as possible. Are you taking full advantage of this department and keeping these tested recipes? If you have not been doing so, start right now. Buy a substantially bound book, clip these recipes and paste them in the book. I have such a book started by my mother about 45 years ago. The gems of lovely things within its pages are priceless to me.

### Scotch Potato Soup

Slice 1 bunch of leeks or onions. Mix with 1 cup chopped celery. Cook in 2 1/2 tablespoons butter 6 minutes without browning, stirring constantly. Scald 1 1/2 quarts milk, add first mixture and cook slowly in double boiler 3/4 hour. Cook 3 cups potatoes, cut in 1/2-inch dice, 10 minutes drain. Melt 2 teaspoons butter, add 2 tablespoons flour, stir until smooth, dilute with some of the milk taken from vegetables. Combine mixtures, add potatoes; sear and cook until potatoes are tender. Season with salt, pepper and a few grains of cayenne; also 1 teaspoon finely chopped parsley.

### Planked White Fish

Clean and split a 3-pound white fish, put skin side down on a hot oak plank 1 1/2 inches thick and a little longer and wider than the fish. Sprinkle with salt and pepper, and brush over with melted butter. Surround fish with a border of coarse salt to prevent plank from burning. Bake 25 minutes in a hot oven. Remove from oven, scrape off salt, wipe edge of plank with a wet cloth, spread fish with butter and garnish with parsley, lemon and a

croustade of potato. The fish should be sent to the table on the plank.

### Boston Baked Beans—Old Style

Pick over 1 quart of navy beans, cover with cold water and let soak over night. In the morning drain and cover with fresh cold water. Heat slowly to boiling point and cook until the skin bursts. (Test beans by taking up a teaspoonful and blowing on them. The skins will burst if cooked enough. Beans thus tested should NOT be returned to the pots. Scald rind of 1/2-pound fat salt pork, remove 1/4-inch slice and put in bottom of bean pot with 1 onion sliced. Cut through rind of remaining pork every 1/2-inch at right angles, making cut 1 inch deep. Turn beans into pot and bury pork in beans, leaving rind exposed. Mix 1 1/2 tablespoons salt, 1/2 tablespoon mustard, 3 tablespoons molasses or brown sugar and 1/2 cup boiling water; pour over beans. Then add enough more water to cover beans. Cover bean pot, put in oven and bake slowly 6 or 8 hours, uncovering the last hour of cooking that rind may become brown and crisp. Add water as needed. Onion may be omitted if desired. Turn from bean pot onto serving platter and cover beans with a blanket of onions—for those who like them.

### Chantilly Apple Sauce

Pare, core and cut in slices 5 medium sized sour apples. Cook with as little water as possible. When quite dry, rub through a sieve. To the pulp add 1/2 cup sugar, 5 tablespoons freshly grated horseradish; then fold in an equal measure whipped cream, slightly seasoned with salt. Serve at once with roast goose, duck or roast pork.

## CANCER VACCINATION IS STUDIED IN LONDON

The possibility that a means may ultimately be found to vaccinate human beings against cancer is suggested in a report of the British Empire Cancer Campaign, just published.

Researches by Dr. T. W. Lumsden and associates at London Hospital are said to have shown that if a rat in which cancer has been induced recovers, either spontaneously or after destruction of the tumor, its blood develops antibodies that keep it immune from further cancer.

These antibodies are said to be highly poisonous to cancer cells and yet harmless to normal cells. Moreover, if a sheep is inoculated with rat cancer, it doesn't itself develop cancer, but its blood also develops antibodies not only against rat cancer but against all cancerous growths, it is asserted.

It is added that these antibodies are so developed that they can be drawn off in the shape of a serum, which can not only immunize other rats, but actually in many cases destroy existing tumors in them. The report states:

"The great significance of this is that man usually reacts immunologically like other animals, and although there may be a far road to travel these facts do at least open up the possibility of ultimately vaccinating humans against cancer."

## RABBIT "LEOPARD" SKINS

Winter's winds and woman's vanity have gotten together to boom a new industry in the Southern part of the United States. It's raising rabbits for fur. Several large rabbit farms have sprung up, yet all the fur will not make "rabbit coats."

Much of it will be clipped, stenciled in spots, and sold as "leopard skin." Rabbit pelts also become "sealskin" when clipped and dyed black. At least, that's the claim of the secretary of the Atlanta Breeders' Club.

But no matter what the fur is called, it finds a big sale, for women all over the world are going in heavily for fur coats this year. South Africa is getting more money from karakul, the wool of the black Persian lamb, than from diamonds.

Incidentally, South Africa is extremely jealous of its near strangle-hold on the karakul supply. It recently turned down requests from Italy and Argentina for karakul sheep with which to start the industry in Ethiopia and the land of the pampas grass.

## "WHALE WOOL"

"Wool" from whales—that's what is upsetting Norwegian whalers. The wool is made from whale wool blubber and Norway is disturbed because Germans perfected the process.

It seems several manufacturers in the land of the midnight sun tried to make textiles from blubber and failed. The German process is simple: blubber is passed through presses until dry, then is shredded. A chemical lends strength to the fibers.

Until now, blubber, though available in enormous quantities, has had few uses. One ton of the fat can yield as much as 200 gallons of oil, practically all of which goes into making soap.

## THIRTEEN MILLION SMITHS

Are you one of the 13,000,000 Smiths? Because, reports a Mr. Smith, of Glasgow, Scotland, there are about that many Smiths in the world, counting such variations as Schmidt, Smit and Smythe.

There's a man in Georgia whose name is Willie 5/8 Smith. His father added the fraction so the boy would be distinct from all other Smiths. He certainly is. In fact, he's so famed a letter addressed "5/8, Homerville, Ga., U. S. A., will reach him.

Then there's the "Benevolent and Protective and Completely Universal Order of Fred Smiths of America." Formed last year, its annual banquet in New York is expected to draw 3,000 Fred Smiths.

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## LEAVES CONVENT TO TAKE OVER FARM

As a student in a convent classroom, Mary Ann Kasmarski never dreamed of becoming a farmer. That was a man's work.

But grim necessity forced her to take over the family acres upon her father's unexpected death. And she's making good.

"I'm as hardworking a young farmer as you'll find in up-State New York," the 18-year-old asserts. "The evidence is plain—160 acres of harvested farmland, sleek cattle, work horses, hogs, chickens, ducks and even pigeons."

"I care for 45 head of livestock; run the farm implements; plow, drag, plant and cultivate 25 acres of corn, 25 acres of oats, 4 of potatoes—all besides growing a garden and harvesting 75 tons of hay. My only help was a hired hand to aid for a few weeks in haying."

"There are 25 cows to be milked twice a day—rain or shine. My mother helps, as do my two sisters who work in Rome, N. Y. But with a few exceptions it's all Mary Ann. And I just keep plugging."

"Like any other girl, I love swimming, skating and tobogganing in winter. But a farmer's day starts at 5 a. m., so I don't get much time for recreation, like others of my age."

What a difference a year has made in Mary Ann's plans! A year ago, she was studying at the Academy of Holy Name in Rome, N. Y. "But when father was trampled to death by his own runaway team on our farm on Route 4," Mary writes, "my whole career was changed. But I plan to carry on."

## SUICIDE WAR

It's a "battle of suicides" that rages in the Far East—Japanese and Chinese fighting. Another proof of that was the almost fatal stand of China's "death battalion" in the ruined warehouses just outside Shanghai.

Why this headlong disregard of death? Because both Japanese and Chinese have been brought up to prefer death to dishonor. That's why Japanese military officers in trouble habitually take their own lives rather than be disgraced by courts-martial.

Such was the attitude of the Chinese flier who recklessly attacked four Japanese planes. He couldn't be driven off and kept at it until shot down. Such also was the attitude of the Japanese pilot who, his bomber in flames, refused to use his chute. If he did, his mission would be unfulfilled. He stuck to the plane, crashed it in the Chinese lines. He died, but so, too, did hordes of his enemies.

## "HOME MEAT CURING MADE EASY"

We have received for review a handsome illustrated book of 128 pages entitled "Home Meat Curing Made Easy." The instructions are simple and indicate careful planning by experts whose practical experiences are clearly set forth in the book. One could hardly go wrong in the curing of meat on the farm if these instructions were followed. It is the most comprehensive book on the subject that has ever been brought to our attention.

Besides instructions as to the various methods of curing meat, the making of sausage, butchering, etc., there are chapters that will interest the housewife, such as, "Recipes for Canned Meats," "Killing and Dressing Poultry," "Preparing Nourishing Meals," "Relative Amounts of Protein, Fat and Carbohydrate in Edible Portions of Some Common Foods," "Selection of Meat," "What Cooking Does to Meat," "Serving Meats Attractively," "How to Carve and Serve a Dinner Guest," and "Appetizing Dishes from Left-Overs."

In addition to chapters that will interest the housewife, are many pages devoted to methods of killing, cutting, curing and handling pork, beef, lamb, and the making of sausage, headcheese and various other operations connected with a good job on the farm. Many helpful photos appear along with the instructions.

This book is published by the Morton Salt Company of Chicago. It may be obtained for 25 cents by addressing the Chicago office, or by addressing the Morton Salt Company, First National Bank Bldg., Dallas, Texas.